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UTT searching for president

By Carey McKee

Editor-in-Chief

Last October Dr. George Hamm, president of UT Tyler, announced that he would resign on Aug. 31. Since a new president has not yet been hired, Hamm will continue to serve as president until the position has been filled.

An 18-member advisory committee was chosen in April to search for the new president by reviewing applications and conducting interviews. The advisory committee also was designed to set up selection criteria that relates to the needs of UTT.

This committee consists of two members of the Board of Regents, two representatives of the UT System administration, two presidents of UT System institutions, three UTT faculty members, two UTT staff members, two UTT students, a representative of the UTT deans, a representative of the UTT alumni and three representatives of the university's external community.

Dr. Roger Conaway, associate professor of speech and communication, says he really en-

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Photo by Gary Lynch

UTT President Dr. George Hamm and Dr. Jim Vaughn, are shown in the Jim and Bonna Bess Vaughn Auditorium for the first production in the facility. The Mark Hamlich concert was held on Aug. 23.



Photo by Gary Lynch

Nursing student Kathy Cason volunteered to give blood for UTT student accident victim Karen Hotard, education major, on Sept. 3. Approximately 29 pints were donated to the Stewart Blood Center.

Enrollment cap limits incoming freshman

By Jennifer Stone

News Editor

In the past, students have been denied access to UT Tyler until they had 42 semester hours on their transcript. In August of 1998, however, freshman will be able to attend.

At first, only 50 students will attend. UTT is required to recognize an enrollment cap for the first few years. The cap will increase by 50 students each year until it reaches 200 in 2001. The cap will then be eliminated.

Engineering students are excluded from the enrollment cap. The university will admit a number of engineering students as well as the 50 students who enroll in other programs at the lower level.

Upper level students who wish to take lower level courses may be admitted, but they will fall under the enrollment cap.

According to Dr. William Baker, vice president for Academic Affairs, while the cap slows the development of lower level programs and severely limits the number of students in those programs, it also will help the university to slowly accustom itself to the changes.

"The smaller number offers us

the opportunity to plan some things for them that we would not otherwise be able to afford for a larger number of students," Baker said.

"What we're trying to do is to turn what, in many ways, is a real hindrance into an advantage. Let's use that to increase the quality of what we do."

Even though the decision to expand is official, there are still many decisions to be made. One of the most important is deciding who will be admitted. According to Baker, the administration is still considering conflicts in admission requirements.

"There was a bill passed that requires us to admit all students who graduated in the top 10 percent of their class. So certainly there is a potential of conflict between that and the limitation of 50," Baker said.

A schedule of freshman classes has not yet been finalized. According to Baker, the first courses offered will be freshman basics such as English, science, lab sciences and math. As the program progresses a wider variety of courses will be offered at the freshman and sophomore levels.

Speakers from other branches of the UT system that have expanded will be brought to UTT to give advice on the complications that come with expansion. A speaker from UT Permian Basin will speak to faculty Oct. 2. A representative from UT Corpus Christi will also visit UTT later in the year.

Longview considers sites for new university

By Carey McKee

Editor-in-chief

The Longview city council voted unanimously in February for UT Tyler to build a higher education facility in Longview. This facility will be a Multi Institutional Teaching Center (MITC) where various colleges and universities will be able to offer programs. This enables students to take courses from different schools and still obtain a degree from UTT.

The Longview center will receive \$4 million from the Texas legislature for building costs. Longview businessman J. Neal Garland is giving a \$1.6 million endowment for the center of which \$600,000 is to be used for scholarships.

According to Dr. William Baker, vice-president of Academic Affairs, four different sites in Longview are being evaluated by Phil Thacker, an architect hired by Longview. Also, UT System architects are working in conjunction with a private firm in Austin to submit their analysis of the four sites to Dr. George Hamm, president of UTT. He will then make a recommendation to the UT Board of Regents. Baker also said that Hamm will try to make his recommendation of the site satisfactory to UTT, the UT System and Longview.

The site first mentioned was land north of Hinsley park on Highway 259. Another site is south of the City Municipal Complex. A third possibility is the Longview Economic Development Company and Business Park (also on Hwy. 259). A fourth possible location would be a donation from a Longview couple at the intersection of Judson Rd. and Hawkins Pkwy.

When UTT proposed to build this facility, only the site north of Hinsley Park had been chosen. A proposed building was drawn up at this time. The total cost was approximately \$7,200,000. So far, the campus funds are

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UTT student asks: Can you see what I see?

By John Lowdermilk
Managing Editor

In the Bible there is a passage which basically reads, 'When I was a child, I played with childish things; I acted in childish ways; and I was treated as a child. When I became a man, I put away childish things.'

This, and Rudyard Kipling's poem If - especially the last stanza:

"If you can put sixty seconds worth of distance run into the unforgiving minute, then yours will be the world and more importantly you will be a man, my son."

Both of these passages have always had a very strong impact on the way I've led my life.

I've had the opportunity to be around people who influence other people's lives and at the same time, I have friends who cannot even cope with waking up in the morning.

Both are very good friends.

It's like the line in Clueless when Cher said that she could see the beauty in all of her friends.

So, why am I writing this drivel for the paper - I mean who really cares how I view friendship or why I lead my life the way I do.

I've been at UT Tyler for over two years and admittedly a lot of this time was fun and educational.

But, recently a problem with my heart has caused me to look at my life

and the people and things around me. Usually, I'm pretty laid back about relationships.

If I didn't see my grandfather for four or five weeks or went a few weeks without seeing a friend, well, no big deal. I would just 'catch-up' the next time we had lunch or something. The most important thing was having time to myself - watching movies or Scooby-Doo.

But, ever since the 'heart incident' I've become scared that when I see someone, it will be for the last time. Intellectually, I know that I don't have a fatal or even a chronic illness; but, it still scared the hell out of me and my reaction has been to spend as much time as possible with friends and family - be around them 24/7.

Well, one positive thing has come out of this; I've taken the time to get out and see what is happening at UTT. Much of what is going on is not good; in fact most of it is pretty bad.

There are too many quality students and professors leaving because they are unhappy with the direction this

school is headed. A lot of the ones that I talk to, even the people staying, say they are here simply because it is convenient.

Since I've been here, people have been complaining about the Fine

and Performing Arts Center, downsizing, the dissolution of the Student Association a couple of years ago and the creation of the new engineering

program.

This is not the problem with this school; all schools have different factions vying for their own personal agendas. Admittedly, I don't understand why most of this happened. It seems logical, but that's just me.

What matters is the fact that if you go up and talk to students, faculty, support staff or whatever, the one overall sentiment is that many feel unappreciated, used and basically treated like dirt.

Coming from Texas A&M where tradition and camaraderie are the

norm, slogans like 'Aggies hire Aggies' and 'Texan by birth, Aggie by the Grace of God,' it is very difficult for me to understand how an administration can go forth with a smile and not - at the very least - act concerned about the way UTT is perceived by the campus community.

I mean it's not like we don't have quality students and staff, it's that many of these people do not feel appreciated for their hard work. Low morale equals low output.

This university, if it is going to go into the next century, is going to have to realize that its assets are not new buildings and attempted tighter control on its students. It is the people who are here, the students who go out into the 'real world' and take their feelings for this place with them.

Buildings are nice, people are necessary.

Maybe this article is influenced by my illness, maybe it's burnout or maybe it's a way of explaining to my friends why I've been acting strange lately.

I personally think this is what the verse from the Bible is talking about and what Kipling writes about:

Grow-up, put your toys away and realize that you should show appreciation for good work and at the same time allow for the free discussion of new and innovative ideas, then maybe life gets easier and better for everyone. Beats the dying alone.

Know when enough is enough

By Tiffenii Hawkins

Editorial Assistant

As you walk around UT Tyler campus you will notice that the people that you encounter are different from you in various ways. However, all the students here have one thing in common; we're all here to continue our education and to get a degree of some sort whether it is a bachelors or a masters degree. We have made the choice to better ourselves by continuing our education. As students, we look to our professors to share the wealth of knowledge and information that they have acquired so that we may fulfill our dreams of walking across the stage to receive the degree that we have worked so hard to obtain.

By now everyone is aware of the incident that took place in Dallas in which teachers were suspended for giving a biased and unethical math test aimed at minority students. The teachers thought that they were helping with the education and well being of their students. The students thought that the teachers were putting them in a category of low standards by phras-

ing the tests in a way that included crime, drugs and sex as a way for the minority students to better understand math. They felt that their character was being belittled. The worst part of it all was that the math test was in no way a part of the curriculum so there was no basis or justification for why the teachers even made the test in the first place.

I can sympathize with the parents of the students because two weeks ago I encountered a similar situation. I look up to each and every one of my professors to help me reach my goal at UTT and until recently everything was on course. Before this incident, I would not dare say anything negative about any instructor at UTT but all that has now changed.

I recently encountered a professor, whom I shall call Professor X, who has no regard for an individuals' feelings. It is one thing to be blunt about a topic relevant to a specific course, but it is different when an instructor expresses opinions and at the same time pokes fun at a sensitive topic that has noth-

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Sunpoint Cafe proves Gregg Co. has a flight of fancy

By Mary Reed

Contributing Writer

The dusty pinks and mauves swirl like giant wisps of cotton candy along the horizon. Crisp white tablecloths contrast with the simple elegance of ebony-colored chairs.

Ice in crystal goblets tinkles gently somewhere in the distance. I detect the delicate scent of fresh spring flowers in the center of the table.

Our black bow-tied waitress arrives to take the order. She is not the shy, unobtrusive type and quickly establishes herself as our favorite wise-cracking friend.

The dinner menu entrees range from cashew-baked halibut to garlic-grilled chicken to shrimp in champagne sauce and are priced from \$9.95 to \$13.95.

All meals include a classic dinner salad or soup of the day and a baked potato or rice pilaf.

I gaze back at the brilliant sunset and spot a tiny white speck in the sky. It grows larger and larger until I determine that it is a Piper Cub. I watch as it glides downward and gracefully lands on the tarmac right outside my window.

I am seated in the Sunpoint Cafe, a 24-hour restaurant located in the Gregg County Airport Terminal building. Yes, you read that correctly. This gourmet restaurant is at the Gregg County Airport.

The Sunpoint Cafe opened last November and is beginning to establish itself as one of the premier eating establishments in East Texas.

Our first course was the soup of the day, cream of asparagus and spinach

topped with freshly grated parmesan cheese. Before you stick out your tongue at what may sound like a distasteful concoction, consider this; I don't even like asparagus or cooked spinach and I found the soup creamy and light with a remarkably appetizing flavor.

Our entrees arrived just as we finished the first course. All were imaginatively presented, e.g., freshly chopped herbs were delicately sprinkled around the rim of the plate of penne pollo, a pasta dish with chicken.

The luscious garlic-grilled chicken came with a baked potato and fresh broccoli flowerettes topped with a lighter-than-air creamy cheese sauce.

The only disappointment was the shrimp in champagne sauce. I could

not detect even a hint of champagne in what appeared to be an otherwise standard red sauce. At \$13.95 I found this meal to be a rather pricey shrimp cocktail.

The dinner menu is only available from 5-11 p.m. A lunch menu is much less expensive and includes a wide variety of sandwiches and hamburgers. Standard breakfast fare is also available.

A fee is charged for parking unless you are a restaurant patron. Simply present your register tape to the guard on your way out of the parking lot.

The Sunpoint Cafe has embarked on a new tradition of delivering tantalizing strawberries dipped in chocolate upon presentation of the bill. What a fitting end to a very pleasurable dining experience.

A Princess' memory lingers and sets example

By William Kachlic

Contributing Writer

On September 6 at 5 a.m., NBC carried live coverage of Princess Diana's funeral from Westminster Abbey. Even the British who were interviewed and are used to this sort of pageantry, said it was unlike anything they had ever seen. I have to agree. It was difficult to watch it and not be moved.

From Elton John's moving song "Candle in the Wind" to the British Prime Minister's reading from First Corinthians about love, it was obvious that Diana had touched many people in death as she had in life.

What was it about her that touched so many people? Perhaps the key to understanding this came from her brother, Earl Spencer's, moving tribute. Aside from all the delicious scandal that people liked to constantly print and read about Diana, she was after all

a human being and his tribute brought that back into focus.

It was not only her beauty and her being easy to approach, it was also her genuineness at being a human with shortcomings which endeared her to so many. Her brother stated that Diana told him she felt a sense of "unworthiness" and a "feeling of being unloved." Perhaps because she felt these things she was so able to identify with those less fortunate. And I think many people identified with these feelings.

Her brother also pointed out that we shouldn't make a saint of Diana, that it would not be fitting to her memory. Although she was a former member of the Royal Family, people remember her more for some of the simple things she did, like shak-

ing hands, ungloved, with an AIDS patient. In this respect, she had probably more in common with her good friend Mother Theresa than with the Royal Family.



Photo by Ian Waldie

During the funeral procession, some British were interviewed for their reactions to the recent events. One woman said she felt the media was "hypocritical for vilifying Diana one day and deifying her the next."

An off-duty British policeman, Peter Champion, said he came to "pay his respects" even though he had no hope of seeing anything and could have stayed at home to watch the funeral. When asked about how he felt about the media, he said that while it is popular to castigate the media, we all share a certain responsibility for Diana's death; not only the

paparazzi who take the pictures and the tabloids who print them, but the people who read them as well. After all, if there were no market for the tabloids there wouldn't be this continual rush to print the latest about celebrities.

While watching the funeral and the funeral procession, and hearing the media interview people and their comments, it was my impression that there was a profound sense that we had all gone too far and the results had been tragic.

Right outside Westminster Abbey all types of people had congregated including blacks, whites, Orientals, children and the handicapped. One person said that Diana had tended to downplay the differences in people and make them feel good, even if only briefly.

Perhaps the most fitting tribute to Diana would be to for us treat each other in a kind and caring manner, always remembering the humanity we share.

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that has nothing to do with the course; and in the process offends students.

Personally my feelings were hurt because throughout the class, Professor X made numerous rude comments ranging from how he doesn't like his mother-in-law to how stupid marriage counselors are. But, the comment that I took most personal was when he facetiously stated that, hey that's just like saying why don't we all get in our cars,

ride through North Tyler and if we're lucky maybe we'll get to see a drive by shooting. Later he said there are people who are terrified to even go through North Tyler.

Everyone in the class was shocked that he had made such a bold statement. The guy sitting next to me even whispered, "I can't believe he said that."

I grew up in North Tyler and the picture that he painted to the classroom

about that part of town was not only false but irrelevant. It is statements like the one he mentioned that keeps people from realizing that North Tyler is a very nice area and that crime of some sort is in everyone's neighborhood.

Professor X discussed a topic that he knows nothing about. It's disturbing to think that if there was a point to his story, this insulting comment was the only way to get it across to the students.

This article is not designed to offend anyone, but to make others aware to not only think before speaking but to also be aware that people, no matter what age, color, sex or religious background, have feelings. Everyone, like it or not, needs to be aware of others feelings and to be more careful when dealing with sensitive topics. The use of stereotypes can derail the educational process.

Secretaries tackle new computer network

By Stacey Salter
Editorial Assistant

Donna Griffin, secretary to the dean of liberal arts, has a desk covered with stacks of papers, file folders and binders. The materials of her daily routine have piled up on her desk because, like many campus secretaries, she is busy tackling the challenge of mastering the *DEFINE computer program.

Chief fiscal officer Scott Scarborough said that UT Austin recently made *DEFINE, the Departmental Financial Information Network, available to UT Tyler. The computerized system allows individual departments to control and monitor purchasing, travel, accounting, payroll and new faculty appointments.

He predicted the system "will be a big time-saver in the future." But departmental personnel learning *DEFINE are struggling to master the intricate computer program.

The secretaries' problem is not having enough time to properly learn about the complicated computer system.

"It might have been better if taken one section at a time," Carolyn Martin, theater and communication department secretary, said. "It's been a little overwhelming."

Secretaries had always dealt with financial responsibilities on a limited basis. Now, they handle these issues on a much larger scale with the new system.

"We still deal with students and faculty, along with *DEFINE, class scheduling and everything we've always done," Judy Wyman, art and music department secretary, said.

Griffin said, "I'm not even doing my work because I'm doing *DEFINE."

The staff began group training sessions in July with a group from Austin and later with Scarborough.

The staff said that Scarborough provided their most useful tool—a step-by-step *DEFINE manual.

"The manual—I guess it's our Bible," Wyman said.

Griffin said, "The manual... has helped a great deal." She said it really addresses the staff's questions.

The secretaries agreed that weekly user group meetings help tremendously.

"It's gotten a lot better this week," Wyman said.

Both the administration and the staff agree that eventually, *DEFINE will benefit the university. It gives departments the flexibility to make purchases as needed, select its own vendors and monitor its own budget, Scarborough said.

Martin said her department will benefit from better communication.

The new purchasing system "allows the university to utilize a state-of-the-art system much more advanced than the ones in the past," Scarborough said.

Griffin said once the secretaries get control of the situation, things will straighten out.

New fall UTT faculty members introduced

This is the first in a series introducing additional faculty. Watch for the next Patriot featuring new members.

UT Tyler welcomed 14 new full-time faculty members for the fall semester. The nursing department added five new faculty members.

Dr. Carol Kilmon, associate professor of nursing, joins the UTT faculty from UT Medical Branch School of Nursing at Galveston. She holds a M.S.N. degree from the University of Virginia and a doctorate in nursing from UT Austin.

Dr. Doris Tucker, assistant professor of nursing, comes to UTT from the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences. Tucker has professional experience at Lowenburg College of Nursing in Memphis, Tenn., and at the University of Central Arkansas. She holds an Ed.D. degree from Memphis State University and an M.S.N. from the University of Central Arkansas.

Dr. Helen Miner, associate professor

of nursing, came to UTT from St. Genevieve County Memorial Hospital in St. Genevieve, Mo. Her background includes positions at St. Francis Medical Center and Southeast Missouri Hospital in Cape Girardeau, Mo. She earned a doctorate from UT Austin and an M.S.N. degree in Medical-Surgical Nursing from St. Louis University.

Deborah Bell, lecturer in nursing, comes to UTT from Kilgore College. Her professional experience includes positions at Good Shepherd Medical Center and Meadow Pines Hospital, both in Longview. Bell holds an M.S.N. Degree in Psychiatric-Mental Health Nursing and B.S.N. from the UT Health Science Center in San Antonio School of Nursing.

Donna Stevens, lecturer in nursing, is a specialist in psychiatric mental health, has served as a consultant in psychiatric hospital settings and has authored educational materials.

Stevens earned M.S.N. and B.S.N. degrees at Texas Woman's University.

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Daylight featured in Movie Madness tonight

The Movie Madness feature for the week is *Daylight*. The movie, starring Sylvester Stallone and Amy Brenneman, begins tonight at 6 p.m. The movie *Heaven's Prisoners* will be shown Oct. 1 at 9:30 a.m., 1 p.m. and Oct 2 at 6 p.m. Features are shown in UC 102. For more information contact the Office of Student Affairs at 566-7081.

Intramural golf season registration still open

Registration for Golf Course I is today through Sept. 29. The class is available to all UTT students free of charge. Students will be taught golf skills by a professional golfer. The intramural golf season starts Oct. 6 and runs through Oct 16. The season will culminate with the THEC Golf Open. There is a \$30 entrance fee for the tournament. More information and registration forms are available in the student activities office, UC 111.

Organizations must finish paperwork to be recognized

Students who plan to form a campus organization for the fall semester must register their organization with the Office of Student Activities. In order for the university to recognize an organization, the registration process must be completed every semester. Several forms must be completed and organizations must meet certain membership and other requirements before they may register. Forms are available in the student activities office.

Alaskan art collection donated by Dallas residents

Frank and Betsy Burke of Dallas contributed their collection of Fred Machetanz's Alaskan art to UTT recently. In addition, the Burkes gave UTT their collection of 55 antique 18th and 19th century maps.

Both collections will be placed in the School of Business and Administration.

Burke is Chairman and Managing General Partner of Burke, Mayborn Company, Ltd. in Dallas. He also serves as Vice Chairman of the UTT Board and Vice President of the UTT Educational Foundation.

"The University of Texas at Tyler continues to benefit from the support and generosity of Frank and Betsy Burke. The margin separating a good university from an exceptional one is bridged by contributions such as these given us

by the Burkes. We at UT Tyler are continually in their debt," UTT President George F. Hamm said.

Severinson performance launches *Harmony of the Spheres* season

The East Texas Symphony Orchestra launches the *Harmony of the Spheres* Season Saturday. Doc Severinson, trumpeter and conductor, opens the season with a one-time performance in the Vaughn Auditorium of the R. Don Cowan Fine and Performing Arts Center. The performance begins at 7:30 p.m.

The Women's Symphony League of Tyler and Tyler Junior College are underwriters of this concert. The ETSO will provide three shuttle buses to transport patrons from the parking lots at the Administration building to the Cowan Arts Center before and after the performance.

Single tickets are still available at \$40, \$30 and \$20. Season tickets are also available at \$80, \$65 and \$45. Tickets can be purchased by calling the East Texas Symphony Orchestra office at 592-1427.

Basketball registration planned for Oct. 6-20

Registration for intramural basketball is Oct. 6-20. The basketball season begins Oct. 27 and runs through Nov. 20. More information is available in the student activities office, UC 111.

The Meadows Gallery exhibits community art

The Meadows, a new art gallery showcasing student, faculty, visiting artists and a permanent collection, is located in the R. Don Cowan Fine and Performing Arts Center.

The gallery exhibits student and outside artwork simultaneously. Student artwork exhibits in the gallery are:

- The 1997 Junior College Faculty Invitational-Sept. 15-Oct. 17
- The Senior Exhibition-November 3-12
- Art Club Sale and Exhibition- Nov. 24-Dec. 5

Guest artist exhibits are:

- James Surles Exhibition-Aug. 24-Sept. 19
- Elizabeth Yaroosz Painting Exhibition-Sept. 29-Nov. 6
- Robbie Barber Sculpture Exhibition-Nov. 10-Dec. 12

The Meadows Gallery is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday or by special arrangement. For more information call (903) 566-7250.

UTT services outsourced in effort to conserve funds

By Michael Weisinger
Staff Writer

Recently the decision was made to outsource many of the UT Tyler services in an attempt to reduce operational costs and streamline procurement procedures.

The restructuring affected the responsibilities and in some cases existence of 12 departments. 43 UTT jobs were either eliminated or absorbed by private contractors said Chief Fiscal Officer Scott Scarborough.

Areas included in the restructuring of campus services covered a broad range of university operations. Everything from human resources management to custodial operations was reviewed to discover how much of a fiscal saving could be derived from alternate service contractors and how comparable the level of service would be.

Cost reductions became paramount in view of the court ordered \$293,095 restitution UTT must repay the Department of Education plus \$39,980 in interest. The problem occurred following the financial aid disbursement problem of '96. Scarborough considers these changes necessary to assure

the ongoing and future financial health of the university.

The court's decision made it crucial to find ways of streamlining university expenditures. Scarborough estimates that the savings will be approximately \$250,000 a year with the new system of independent service contractors.

In addition to the substantial fiscal savings generated by the new program, Scarborough anticipates that faculty and students can expect comparable, and in some cases better levels of service as the net result.

According to Scarborough, one example involves campus security which is now being handled centrally by the UTT Health Center at a savings of \$80,000 to \$100,000 a year.

The security will also include a bicycle patrol squad as well as some strategically located "emergency button" poles. When a button is pushed, the main dispatch will receive an emergency distress signal from the sender's location and aid will be dispatched immediately.

Campus security will still provide after dark services such as escorting students to their vehicles if they request it.

Other areas where substantial savings

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UTT snack bar under new new management

By Mike Burns

Copy Editor

The food service at UT Tyler has gone through some major changes since last spring. The snack bar is no longer known as Frank's Place and is now operated by the Marriott Corporation. The Marriott also operates the food service at Tyler Junior College and the University of Texas Health Center.

Marriott took over operation of the service, because according to the University of Texas system guidelines, UTT has to bid out its food services contract every six years. A pre-bid conference was held last April for all companies interested in providing food services to the university. The companies attending the conference included the company which ran Frank's Place (known as Chartwell), Marriott and a company that provides services to

Texas College.

The university asked that interested companies submit a bid by June 23. Only Chartwell and the Marriott replied.

Chartwell notified UTT that it wouldn't be able to provide a bid to the university, and for the company to continue its services, UTT would have to pay Chartwell.

The Marriott requested that UTT pay them \$30,000 a year for food services.

"Because there's not enough traffic at the snack bar, we really are not in a position to pay someone for the food services," said UTT chief fiscal officer, Scott Scarborough.

When the two companies were informed that UTT was not willing to pay for the food services, Marriott returned with another bid to the university saying that it would operate on campus at no cost to the university, but would also offer no share of the profits

for the first year of service.

Since under the old contract, UTT only made around \$1,000 a year, Scarborough recommended to University President George Hamm that the food services contract be awarded to Marriott. The contract also states that Marriott gets first-refusal rights to all catering services for the university as well as the right to sell concessions in the new performing arts center.

According to Scarborough, the reviews of the new service have been mixed. "The catering has gotten good feedback," he said. "The quality, presentation and cost of the food is better than before."

The snack bar has not done as good a job. "I've heard the hamburgers are not as good, the prices are higher and people miss Frank," said Scarborough.

Scarborough and the university hope that students will be patient with the

new services since Marriott had little time to prepare for the move. Cartwell left the university before its contract expired and Marriott moved in with only 48 hours notice. Another problem is the kitchen equipment. It is old and needs to be replaced.

UTT and Marriott plan to remodel the entire snack bar area, including replacing all the old equipment and making it more of a place for students to gather. After the remodeling is completed, the company expects to expand the menu and improve the overall quality of food.

Possibilities for the future include issuing debit cards to students and setting up meal plans for students living in University Pines Apartments.

Scarborough said that he expects the company to improve the quality of its services soon.

"They have an investment in the community."

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joys being on the committee.

"By looking over the applications I think we have many viable candidates and my main interest is to make sure we receive a good president," Conaway said.

The former Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Dr. James Duncan, was originally the chair of the committee. According to Dr. William Baker, vice-president for Academic Affairs, Duncan took a year off in order to get ready to go back to teaching. According to Francie Frederick, interim vice chancellor for Academic Affairs, this did not delay the search process.

Frederick said the committee has viewed approximately 130 applications. Committee members have chosen several applicants to interview at their next meeting. The entire committee will talk to one individual at a time. The committee is protecting the anonymity of these applicants.

The UT System hired Spencer Stuart, a search firm in Dallas, to receive more applications. Ron Zera, a representative of Spencer Stuart, is continuing to make additional contacts and reference checks for the advisory committee to use. It is possible that the advisory committee will conduct interviews

with the new applicants.

After the committee reviews all applicants and interviews the select few, they will vote on candidates. A majority vote will send approximately five applications to the Board of Regents as a recommendation from the advisory committee. If the recommended applicants are not satisfactory, the Board of Regents will either name a new committee or proceed to select the president in any way they deem proper and appropriate.

Frederick is confident that the committee will make their recommendations to the Board by spring.

The Board will review candidates' applications and conduct interviews. Another committee will also be able to interview the candidates. Hamm will help Frederick to identify some community members, students, faculty and staff of UTT for possible members of this committee. Frederick will provide the Board of Regents with the feedback of the committee. The Board has the ultimate decision of hiring the new president.

"Everyone has been working quite hard and is very enthusiastic. They have a lot of energy and are very good people to work with," Frederick said.

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Outsourcing

will be realized are the print shop and the Department of Environmental Health and Safety; these departments will see a savings of \$40,000 each annually.

Grounds maintenance was awarded to an outside service provider at \$30,000 a year below the previous cost.

The Financial Aid Department was also a target for an alternative management source. The provider selected by UTT discontinued the financial aid services shortly after being assigned the responsibility. This means that the operation of the Financial Aid Department will continue to be managed by UTT.

The department has been reorganized and hopes for a savings of \$7,000 a year. All major purchasing is now managed by UT Austin; this was effective Sept. 1, at an annual savings of \$17,000.

The procedure for minor acquisitions

will be handled by a new system implementing a procurement card. The card will provide faculty the flexibility to acquire departmental equipment and supplies at a place of their choosing with a \$999 limit per purchase.

Scarborough anticipates this system will speed up acquisitions process and allow more freedom for individual preferences among faculty members.

In conjunction with these reduced fiscal expenditures the termination of the UTT tennis program will yield an additional \$100,000 in yearly savings.

The food services contract has been acquired by Marriott Food Services through the state prescribed bidding process. The bookstore was able to retain its contract after successfully submitting the low service bid.

According to Scarborough, the job loss incurred by UTT employees was less than expected since a number of individuals have now found employment with the new service providers.

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Longview campus

\$5 million. Therefore, once the site has been established, an architect will be hired to produce a conceptual design of a new building.

In Longview's MITC, the different schools will have to work on not duplicating programs and making sure courses from different schools can transfer into the student's degree plan.

"This will make education in Longview easier.

Many people cannot drive to Tyler for reasons such as money, time, work and family," Baker said.

Baker said at first the programs may be slow to develop but each year will bring growth to different areas in the school.

He also said that instructors will come from UTT and different colleges

to teach the courses as well as use interactive video as a teaching tool.

Later these instructors may have the option of being permanently based in Longview and teach interactive classes from the facility there.

"It may take some time before it is a full university. Have patience and do not expect too much at first. I think the more interest there is, the faster things will move. I am not entirely sure of the exact demand in Longview, but I feel that it is very strong," Baker said.

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President's Honor Roll and Dean's List announced

Ninety-seven students were named to the President's Honor Roll for the spring semester at UT Tyler.

Also, 117 students were named to the Dean's List.

To qualify for the President's Honor Roll, a student must have completed, in one semester, 12 semester credit hours or more with a grade of "A" in all courses.

To be named to the Dean's List, a student must have completed at least nine semester credit hours at the university with a grade point average of 3.7 or above.

President's Honor Roll students, listed by hometown, are:

ATHENS--Craig M. Bess, Diane Lynn Kirksey and Charlotte J. Rainwater.

BARRY--Margaret Meischelle Watkins.

BROWNSBORO--Linda Jeanne Swindle.

BRYAN--Kraig William Martin.

BULLARD--Beverly Ann Gearheart, Eddie Paul Griffin and Kathy L. Skillings.

CANTON--Collin Christian Martin and Brenda Sue Sanford.

CARTHAGE--Beatrice Ann Braun, Brandon Allen Kruebbe, Ginger McLaughlin and Jena Lynn Ray.

CHANDLER--Cheryl Lee Adair, Lara K. Cawthon and Rochelle Leann Smith.

CORSICANA--Jennifer A. Cabano.

DALLAS--Tressa Ann Caulkins.

FLINT--Lisa Kathleen Langsjoen.

FRANKSTON--Mary Elizabeth Foley and Kimberly Marie Landry.

GILMER--Holly Cathryn Lyles, Carrie Tennelle Pritchett, Melanie Sullivan and Treva Kay Vogl.

HENDERSON--Stephanie Lynn Wilkerson.

JACKSONVILLE--Rebecca Anne Lord and Benjamin L. Sonntag.

KILGORE--Jonathan Marshall Latham.

LINDALE--Gayla Ann Cheatam, Wendy Lea Malone, Shelly K. Sumner and Stacey Lynn Willoughby.

LONGVIEW--D'Ann L. Gerbine, Tracy Lea Graham, Amber Lise Kelly, Michelle Breaux Koontz, Dana Lauren Kriehauser, Diana Louise Lamb, Carey Ann McKee, Susan Kaye Moreno, Charles D. Mosely, Jo Ann Partain-Broquie and Dana Renee Sims.

MALAKOFF--Christopher Klaas Lively.

MABANK--Janice F. Groom and Jennifer Shawn Kinder.

MAYDELLE--Carla Rondell Lawson

MINEOLA--Maurice Rodney Finsterwald, Elizabeth Ruth Pegues and Polly Jane Schulle.

MOUNT PLEASANT--Kimberly Renee Brown and Michelle Christine Morris.

MURCHISON--Jack Wesley Hill.

PALESTINE--Cynthia Kay Adams and Linda Marlaine Kerschner.

QUITMAN--Susan Michelle Tyrrell.

TERRELL--Abby Clair McDonald.

TROUP--Donald S. Nasser and Paula M. Tosh.

TYLER--Francesca Adell Bailey, Stephanie Denise Berry, Kelly Elizabeth Coker, Cathleen M. Erenzo, Tasha Leshey Ford, Meredith Leigh Gardner, Anthony Thomas Grooms, Kimberly Sue Hall, Jennifer Anne Martin, Jodi Kay Miller, Lesli Ann Mohammadi, Amy Lane Moser, Linda Susan Munn, Angela Michelle Peters, Julie Annette Poole, Steven Eugene Rice, Gwendolyn Lee Riggs, Katrina Nicole Shackelford, Hannah Gayle Shaddox, Judith Helena Shaw, Julie Ann Shumake, Kristi Aletha Simmons, Scott Lacy Smith, Stephanie Lynn Spath, Nelson Christian Stanfield, Kimberly Michelle Stary, Ann Darlene Stockton, Leigh Hughes Tipton, Shelia Rene Vinson, Patrick David Willis and Andrea Dalea Wynne.

WHITEHOUSE--Julie Angela Beasley, Richard Allen Puckett and Rebecca J. Shelton.

WINONA--Joshua Zachary Wintters.

Dean's List

ALBA--Hallie-Byrd Jean Fletcher.

ARP--Dennis Craig Hughes.

ATHENS--Julie Anne Hall.

AVINGER--Dedra Lois Jackson.

BECKVILLE--Susan Lynette Jones.

BIG SANDY--Chris David Watkins.

BLOOMING GROVE--Amy S. Briggs

CANTON--Ivy O'Neal Weaver.

CARTHAGE--Sherri Lea Tarjick.

CHANDLER--Michele L. Hopson, Gwendolyn A. Jones and Stephanie Kaye Marshall.

CORSICANA--Toula M. Glass and Barry Lynn Heathcoate.

DAINGERFIELD--Mindy Lee Broughton and Jennifer Lynn Burgess.

ELKHART--Cynthia F. Wade.

EUSTICE--Melissa Deann Womble.

FAIRFIELD--Rebecca Lynn Armstrong.

FLINT--Amy Denise Beierle, Tina Charlene Diamond and Amy Gail Walker.

FRANKSTON--Lucia Dulin Hawkins

GILMER--Connie S. Conner, Shelly Tennille Gunn, Tracie Ann Hooks, Brenda Darlene Oglesby and Lillian Elaine Russell.

GLADEWATER--Gregory Michael Bower and Teressa Ellen Hammer.

GRAND SALINE--Evelyn Yvonne C. Trent.

HENDERSON--Kelly Ann Roper, Kristie Michelle Sheffstall, Geoffrey Way Simpson and Crystal Renae Thomas.

HUGHES SPRINGS--Joann Fortune.

JACKSONVILLE--Lori K. Mellinger.

KEMP--Angela Jo Andrews.

KERENS--Jill M. Merrick and Jana Nichole Raley.

KILGORE--Shelley Leigh Barrow, Everardo Delmas, Judith A. Durakovich, Tequila Ann Hopkins, Tamara Jean Latham, Kelley Anne Long and Jason Loren Ray.

LA RUE--Jennifer Dawn Dickerson.

LEESBURG--Stephanie Ann McConnell.

LINDALE--Aimee Suzanne Alexander and Fredda Carol Sparks.

LONGVIEW--Nina Lanell Baker, Mary Frances Barton, Karen Jean Blackmon, Valerie Ann Fields, Shannon Cherry Glover, Paula Annette Gonzalez, Amber Denise Hicks, Patricia Tydingco Knight, Kristina Ann Quinn, Amanda Alene Richardson and Rhonda Kay Watson.

MALAKOFF--Jessica J. Monroe.

MARSHALL--Amanda Kay Lane.

MURCHISON--Quincy Michelle McGlaun.

OVERTON--Corey Dee Bobbitt, Stephanie Diane Smith and Tammie Kay Tippitt.

PALESTINE--Rebekah Dean Easterling and Beth Gansmann.

PITTSBURG--Carolyn Suzanne Griffin.

QUITMAN--David Edward Pinnell.

REKLAW--Tamara McClure Greene.

RUSK--Sandra Lynn McCain and Laurie L. Peters.

TENNESSEE COLONY--Patricia Ellen Hadley.

TYLER--Kenneth Lee Archie, James Sean Baker, Kelly Dee Barnes, John Michael Bausell, Beth Ann Bell, Debra Kay Black, Sandra Sue Bolton, Molly Marie Brown, Subrina Rana Bryant, Kathleen Mary Dunsavage, Brenda Lou Gandy, Carla Solis Gonzalez, Sheri Leigh Grisham, Tara Lynne Harsey, Felicia Marie Haynes, Hilary Evans Hickman, Robert Elkin Hill III, Shane Michael Holbrook, Laurie Leigh Lackland, Joey Michelle Medlin, Melissa Ann Mizzles, Dinaben Patel, Sonya Faye Quincy, Jason Loring Rice, Pamela Kay Rogers, Terresa Lynn Rush, Anna Elaine Scoggins, Kimberly Jayne Shockley, Ann Blyth Smith, Jill Denise Smith, Jamie Rebecca Southard, Rebecca D. Trussell, Julie Suzanne Wright and Takashi Yanagawa.

VAN--Ellen Meredith Driver and Rachel Dianne Parker.

WHITEHOUSE--Martha Louise Hagan and Johnna Lynn Wheat.

WHITE OAK--Melinda Edwards Anderson, Regina Gay Sartain and Justin W. Skaggs.

Casstevens named new chair of theater and communications

By Gary Lynch

Photography Editor

Dr. Kenneth Casstevens has been elected chairman of the Theatre and Communications Department. Dr. Stephen Lefevere, Dean of the School of Liberal Arts, sent a recommendation to Dr. William Baker, vice-president of Academic Affairs, who then forwarded Casstevens's name to UTT President Dr. George Hamm. Casstevens was notified by memorandum from Hamm on Aug. 29 that he had been recommended to be the new chairman. The faculty of the Theater and Communications Department then selected him to be the new chair.

Dr. Wallin McCardell recently decided to step down after 13 years as head of the department. McCardell said "...it was time for a change. This should allow the department to get a fresh perspective." McCardell said he

also wished to pursue writing a biography on veteran Washington Press Corps reporter Sarah McClendon.

The department faculty reviews and chooses to keep the chair or select a new one every three years.

"I was appreciative of the faculty support in being selected. Any time a group elects someone, it is an honor to know they think enough of you," Casstevens said. He also said he feels good about the position because the Theater and Communications Department is an easy group to work with and is very cohesive. "This is a very good group or else I wouldn't be interested," Casstevens said.

His new responsibilities include representing the faculty at school meetings, helping others in the department to accomplish goals and to maintain an inventory of department equipment.

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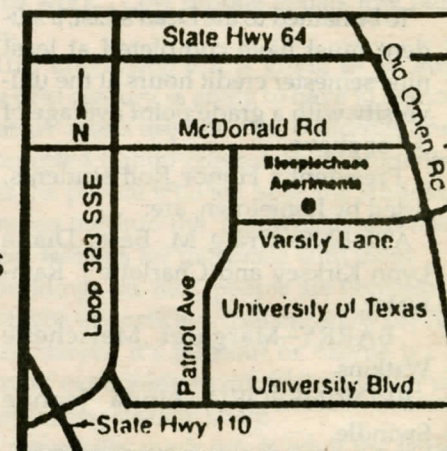
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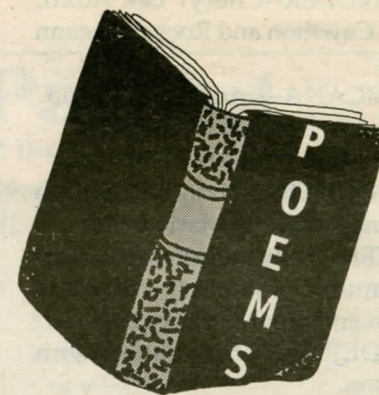
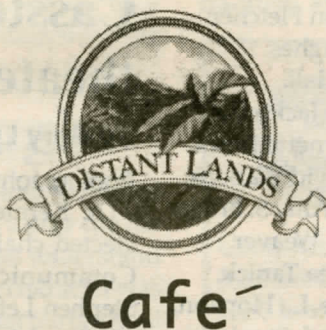
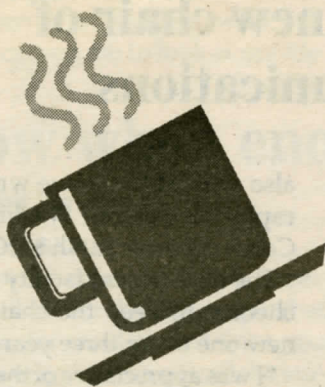
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