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J.W. Finn's to open Campus Cafe April 7

Cafe will offer a variety of foods to students

By Becky Roseborough

Managing Editor/News

The UT Tyler Campus Cafe, operated by JW Finns Cafe, will host an open house Tuesday, April 6, from 2-5 p.m. in the Campus Cafe located in the University Center.

"We will have pizza and soft drinks. Anyone who wants to can tour the facility and ask questions," Jim Finninger, owner of JW Finns, said.

Finninger said the restaurant will be open for regular business Wednesday, April 7.

The Campus Cafe will offer several different methods of payment including cash and credit card options. A pre-payment plan will also be available where parents can pre-pay for a student's food. The student's ID card will be used to keep track of the amount of food purchased.

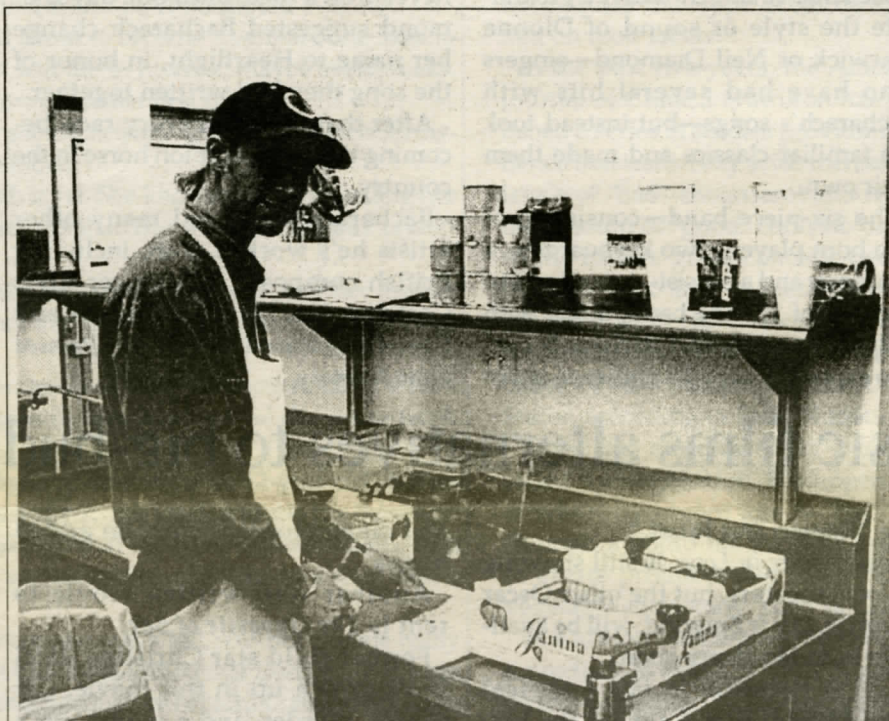
Breakfast will be served from 7-10 a.m. The menu includes a combo breakfast meal, which includes two eggs, two pancakes, sausage and toast. Individual items such as bagels, fresh fruit, ham, eggs, cereal, and biscuits and gravy are also on the breakfast menu.

For lunch, "the grill" will serve a hot meal from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Some items offered during this time include: a daily plate lunch, chicken finger baskets, hamburgers, grilled chicken sandwiches, hot dogs, nachos and pizza.

The lobby of the cafeteria, which includes a potato and soup bar, salads, cold sandwiches, frozen yogurt and soft drinks will be open from 7 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday-Friday and 5-7 p.m. Monday-Thursday.

Finninger said the restaurant will not be open on Friday evenings because there are no night classes on Friday.

Scott Scarborough, chief fiscal officer, said the reason why the restaurant did not meet its original April 3 opening date is because there were some "punch list items" that



Courtesy Photo

A J.W. Finn's worker prepares for the opening of the Campus Café on April 7. Students are invited to an Open House 2-5 p.m., April 6. Pizza and soft drinks will be served.

had to be taken care of.

"Some were safety issues such as a wooden swinging door that needs a window in the middle of it. If someone is pushing the door, they need to be able to see if someone is on the other side or not," Scarborough said.

However, Scarborough said the remodeling of the food service area

is not completed yet.

"We will have a grand opening when we get new tables and chairs, and four TV's will also be installed in the middle of the UC open area at a later date that has not been determined yet," Scarborough said. "By this time, we will have done all we can to make the UC a relaxing environment for students," he said.

Stephanopoulos to speak at UTT tonight

By Courtney Owen

Entertainment Writer

George Stephanopoulos, a political analyst and former presidential assistant, will speak at UT Tyler's Cowan Center tonight at 8 p.m.

Stephanopoulos served as senior advisor for policy and strategy under President Bill Clinton, and he was a key strategist for Clinton in the 1992 and 1996 presidential campaigns.

Concerning Stephanopoulos,

Clinton said, "From the snows in New Hampshire until the present day, no one has rendered me better advice, nor given more loyal service to this nation than George Stephanopoulos. There's no one in Washington who has a better understanding of the intersection of politics and policy and the way those affect the American people."

Stephanopoulos began his career in Washington as an aide to several congressmen, including minority leader Richard Gephardt.

Freshman killed in auto accident

Freshman Nora Elizabeth "Beth" Eisenhower died Tuesday morning in a collision on Texas Highway 64.

According to authorities, Eisenhower was attempting a U-turn on a hill when a collision occurred between her 1996 Ford Contour and a 1998 Chevy pickup.

Both of the passengers in the other vehicle—Nathan Hawkins, 23, and passenger Robert Cluck, 29, of Grand Saline—were injured, but both were listed in fair condition at East Texas Medical Center on Tuesday.

Services will be at 3:30 p.m. today at Eubank Funeral Home chapel in Canton and the burial will be in Starr Cemetery.

She was born Feb. 15, 1980 in Dallas. She lived in Santa Anna for a number of years before moving to Canton two years ago, where she finished high school in 1998.

She was a political science major and worked part-time at Elliott and Waldron Abstract Company.

Survivors include her parents, Jimmy and Dorothy Eisenhower of Canton; grandmother, Elizabeth Eisenhower of Fairfield, and aunts, uncles and other relatives.

In 1992, he joined the Clinton-Gore team as deputy campaign manager and director of communications.

He now teaches at Columbia University and works for ABC News as a political commentator and analyst.

Stephanopoulos' speech will mark the end of the 1998-1999 Distinguished Lecture Series Season, which has also featured political analyst David Gergen and former Israeli prime minister Shimon Peres.

COWAN CENTER

Grammy winner Bacharach gives classic performance

By Courtney Owen

Entertainment Writer

UTT students passed up a rare treat Tuesday night as legendary composer and five-time Grammy award winner Burt Bacharach performed at the Cowan Center.

The audience of more than 1,500 was filled mainly with Tyler's social elite, with a few professors and even fewer students scattered throughout the crowd.

Technical difficulties during the welcome started the evening out with a laugh. But when Bacharach and his band appeared on stage and broke into "What The World Needs Now," all microphone mishaps were forgotten.

The crowd responded to the song—beginning and end—with cheering and applause, as they did to most of the songs throughout the night.

It became clear during the performance that Bacharach had a far broader repertoire than most people in

the audience knew about.

Classics such as "Close to You" and "I Say a Little Prayer" were expected, but hearing "Wishin' and Hopin'" sung by someone other than the late Dusty Springfield or "There's Always Something There to Remind Me" minus the 1983 synthesizer-sound of Naked Eyes was an interesting and very entertaining experience.

The auditorium was buzzing all night with the question: "Wait, I know this song. Who's it again?"

Bacharach's singers didn't try to imitate the style or sound of Dionne Warwick or Neil Diamond—singers who have had several hits with Bacharach's songs—but instead took the familiar classics and made them their own.

The six-piece band—consisting of two horn players, two keyboarders, a drummer and a bassist—sounded like a group of 25. The band, along with brilliant vocalists and Bacharach's piano expertise, kept the audience atten-

tive throughout the two hour performance.

During the show, Bacharach took breaks to talk to the crowd. He discussed the background of several songs; he spoke about different times and "different wives," and how they had inspired him.

He told one story about the song "Heartlight," which was recorded by Neil Diamond in 1982.

Bacharach had a horse with the unlucky name Been Rejected. The horse never won a race, until one day Diamond suggested Bacharach change her name to Heartlight, in honor of the song they had written together.

After that, she won every race, becoming the top champion horse in the country.

Bacharach discussed many other artists he's worked with, including British composer and singer Elvis Costello. Last year, Bacharach and Costello released the album *Painted From Memory*.

A single from that album, "I Still Have That Other Girl," won Bacharach and Costello this year's Grammy award for best pop vocal collaboration.

The song was performed Tuesday night, and, according to Bacharach, this was only the second or third time he's performed it without Costello.

Bacharach and his musicians went on to perform more of his hits, including a medley of songs Bacharach wrote for films.

The night ended with an emotional performance of "That's What Friends Are For," and a reprise of "What The World Needs Now."

The next musical act to perform at the Cowan Center will be Denyce Graves on April 10, followed by the Harlem Boys Choir on April 22. Tickets are still available at the Cowan Center box office. For ticket information, call (903) 566-7424.

Students receive a discount on tickets for the Harlem Boys Choir show.

Independent, classic films alternatives to big-budget blockbusters

By Courtney Owen

Entertainment Writer

It seems that every day another film is being released in theatres or on video.

With all the mega-budget pictures such as *Titanic* or *Godzilla*, lower-budget independent films sometimes get lost in the movie-watching shuffle.

1999 Best Picture Oscar winner *Shakespeare in Love* is a perfect example of how brilliant a film can be without the latest computer graphics or staged explosions.

It tells the story of young William Shakespeare falling in love and writ-

ing "Romeo and Juliet."

Shakespeare in Love is still showing at local theaters, but the other Oscar favorite, *Life is Beautiful*, will be available in video stores soon.

Life is Beautiful is not a typical World War II film. Lacking the blatant gore of films like *Saving Private Ryan*, *Life is Beautiful* instead focuses on the love of an Italian family separated by the Holocaust.

A film already available for rental is 1998's *Your Friends and Neighbors*. This dark comedy explores the dynamics of a nameless group of friends in a nameless city.

The script alone is clever enough to warrant watching it; the acting

and cinematography are an added bonus.

Another well-written movie to rent is *The Opposite of Sex*.

Former child star Christina Ricci is all grown up in this movie. Car chases, murder, and a young girl's coming of age make this a film definitely not for children but excellent for adults.

In addition to independent films, classic films are a nice alternative to big-budget movies.

Many people have heard of the great films of the '40s and '50s but may not have sat down and watched them.

1942's *Casablanca*, a love story star-

ring Humphrey Bogart and Ingrid Bergman set in Casablanca in World War II, is one of America's most beloved films.

Legendary director Alfred Hitchcock gave the world *Rear Window* in 1954.

Jimmy Stewart stars as a temporarily crippled photojournalist who spends his days watching the activities of his neighbors.

A Hitchcock mystery, a mid-century classic or an independent film could turn out to be far better than blockbusters like *Scream* or *The Waterboy*.

Give one a try. You might be pleasantly surprised.

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Sometimes children can teach unexpected lessons

By Jennifer Stone

Editor

We wish life were a constant high, but it often disappoints us. Sometimes, when we feel the most secure, things collapse and life reminds us that it is both fragile and precious.

But, no matter how awful things seem, there is always a little bit of joy to remind us that life is still beautiful, even if things seem dark.

Some people fail to see that joy. They believe that life is just a string of bad events. Poor people. The world must be an awful place seen through gray-colored glasses.

But some of us see the joy, even though nothing around us is stable.

This is the story of Jessica, who lives in a world no child should ever see.

Jessica is 12. A normal, plain little girl about to become a woman. She likes to play softball and dance. But her father will die in months, maybe even weeks. She doesn't talk about it much, except maybe to her best friend

Christina. But since the two are cousins and Christina will lose her uncle, Christina doesn't want to talk about it much either.

Jessica really hasn't come to terms with it yet. She knows people are telling her that her father will die and she understands that. But she doesn't really understand it; she can't until it happens.

She doesn't want to understand it. All she wants to know is why her mother cries and why she and her twin brother are sent to their Aunt Connie's house every weekend.

But, despite the fact that she doesn't understand why, she knows exactly what's happening. Her extended family underestimates her because she doesn't talk about her father.

Most of the time she is a normal laughing, dancing little 12-year-old. But on Friday nights, when her dad has had a really rough week and she has been sent to her aunt's for another weekend, she'll slip into her Aunt Connie's room. And on those nights she's more like an old woman sitting childlike on a stool than a little girl.

You see, Aunt Connie lost her dad when she was a kid, so Aunt Connie really understands. Jessica knows she doesn't have to talk about her Daddy, but she can tell Aunt Connie things—like how she wishes he could see her turn 13 even though she knows he won't. And her aunt makes her laugh and that reminds Jessica that she's still a little girl.

But, despite the pain, Jessica is still a 12-year-old girl. She dances and plays softball and does all the other giggly things young girls do.

And, despite her situation, the world goes on. Even her body is making daily changes to remind her that time doesn't stop because your heart is broken.

Jessica makes those around her feel guilty, because she refuses to lose her joy in life even though things are pretty bleak. She still laughs and blushes and whispers about boys over pillows at night. She still runs up and hugs her daddy and dances for him, even though everyone else treats him like he's made of glass. She's still 12.

Life is fragile and precious. But no matter how bad things may seem, there is always a Jessica in this world who is having to live with adversity.

And remember, even though it may seem dark, there is always, somewhere, a little girl dancing.

Hidden fats in foods can cause surprise health problems

By Cherilyn Raines

Contributing Writer

They have been referred to as "phantom fats" or "hidden fats."

They are trans-fatty acids (trans-fats) and consumers have a right and need to know how much are in a product.

Many consumers are not aware of this form of fat because the Federal Food and Drug Administration does not require that type of fat be specified on food labels.

In the past five years, the American Journal of Clinical Nutrition has published a series of studies providing evidence that trans-fatty acids increase the levels of "bad" cholesterol and reduce the amount of "good" cholesterol.

This causes great concern because high levels of "bad" cholesterol are associated with the narrowing of the heart arteries, which is the leading cause of heart attacks in the United States, according to Total Nutrition.

Trans fats are created by a process called hydrogenation. Hydrogenation is when hydrogen gas is "bubbled" through a liquid oil, such as corn oil, to create products like margarine or vegetable shortening, such as Crisco.

In addition to changing the texture of a product, as noted in Total Nutrition, hydrogenation also increases a product's shelf life. This is why cooking-grease can be used several times without spoiling.

Walter Willett, the head of the nutrition department at the Harvard School of Public Health, commented, "It's a secret killer. With saturated fat, at least food labels tell you how much you are eating. With trans, it's anybody's guess."

For example, according to a food label, real butter may have seven grams of saturated fat while margarine may only have two grams. Not knowing

that margarine contains harmful trans-fats, a consumer may choose margarine over butter, in an attempt to decrease the intake of "artery-clogging" fats.

Another misconception is in the fast-food industry. Many of the fast-food chains promote their use of vegetable oil instead of animal fat or lard when frying food.

But they do not use pure vegetable oil, which does not contain trans fats, but vegetable shortening. Shortening is "partially hydrogenated," so it has trans-fats.

Fast-food items may not contain much saturated fat, according to the nutritional fact sheet, but they may have trans-fats, which act the same as saturated fats.

To help consumer unawareness, groups such as the Center for Science in the Public Interest, are petitioning the Food and Drug Administration to combine the trans-fats with the saturated fats on food labels. This could help the consumer understand the amount of "artery-clogging" fat that is in the product.

Other groups, such as the Danish Nutrition Council, encourage producers to make products that can be marketed as "free of trans-fatty acids."

Like many other health-related controversies, opinions may vary about the exact degree or amount of damage that can be caused by trans-fats. The American Heart Association found that almost 500,000 people die annually as a result of heart disease, which claims the lives of more Americans every year than any other disease or group of diseases.

Knowing the potential dangers of trans-fats and the possible connection to heart disease, it is important for the consumer to be aware of the amount that is in a product and have the right to choose what to buy.

Useful tools available to parents to block online porn

By Amber Moody

Contributing Writer

In 1996, 4 million children accessed the Internet from home, double the number from the year before. Now, this number has been reported to have grown to 10 million, and is expected to be more than 20 million by the year 2002.

It will continue to grow because those who go online find it useful for business, school and entertainment.

As more and more children begin to use the internet so should the concern for safety.

Anyone with a computer and a modem can make any kind of information available through the Internet.

It is almost impossible to prevent offensive, illegal and dangerous material from being published online.

One of the biggest problems now concerning the net is child pornography.

raphy.

You'd think the recent FBI raids on the America Online users accused of operating a child pornography ring would have got more attention than it did. It was the largest coordinated seizure of personal computers so far. More than one hundred homes were raided, and a dozen people were arrested.

Parents need to monitor their children's computer use and know what they do and where they go

online. It is especially important to know who their kids are talking to and to keep up with their "buddies" online.

Sometimes it is difficult for parents who while the kids are home alone to know what goes on after they sign on.

If you are a parent and don't want to restrict use of the computer while at work, there are things you

Capital improvement projects almost finished

Becky Roseborough

Managing Editor/News

The orange signs that used to be green. The shrubs around the main entrance sign. The new stop sign that replaced the yield sign at the main entrance. The new grass next to the student parking lot in front of the University Center.

UT Tyler has recently undertaken several construction jobs.

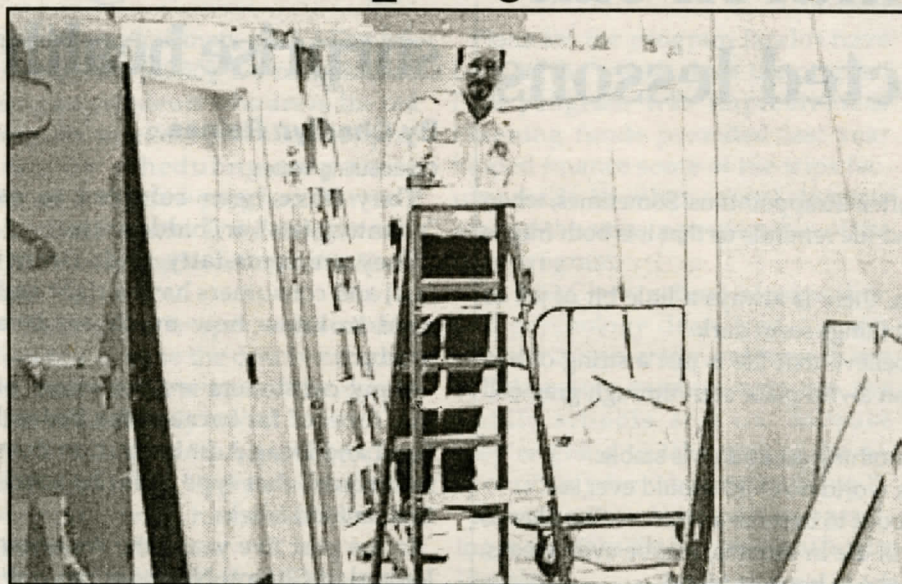
Scott Scarborough, chief fiscal officer, explained why some of the construction was done.

"The green signs were from the days when we were Texas Eastern College. We needed to identify ourselves and say 'We're UT Tyler and we've been here for 20 years,'" he said.

Scarborough said the president's council decided to change the signs from green to orange.

He said the physical plant decided to take down the yield sign and put the stop sign at the main entrance.

"They were concerned because the building of the Cowan Center created more traffic from the other



Construction worker makes repairs at the University Center

Courtesy Photo

direction. They said there had been some near misses—no accidents, but there were definitely some near misses," Scarborough said. "Also, with the new signs, they wanted people to stop at that intersection and read the signs," he said.

Scarborough explained why the grass outside the UC was dug up and replanted.

"In order to bring sprinklers to the landscaped signs, they had to run a water line from the main campus out to the sign. The water line ran underneath that area, so it had to be torn up. Four entrance signs are being landscaped all together," he said.

Scarborough said all the money for the outside construction came

from a capital fund given to the UT system and approved by the Texas Legislature.

"This money can only be used for capital projects. This is the same fund that's been used for the bookstore renovations, food service, new carpet, and for all the parking lots to be resurfaced this summer," Scarborough said.

"The legislature gave us money to do things that haven't been done in a long time," Scarborough said. "We've waited too long to resurface the parking lots, so now they will have to be repaired and resurfaced. When there's gravel on the lot and your tires sort of turn on it, it's been too long since it has been resurfaced," he said.

Scarborough said the total amount of capital funds given to the university was \$5 million. The physical plant received \$2.2 million for all these capital improvement projects. Of the remaining \$2.8 million, \$1 million went to administrators for new computers and the rest was distributed to academic areas based on need.

New Cowan Center entrance to reduce traffic congestion

Becky Roseborough

Managing Editor/News

The new Cowan Center entrance was constructed in order to reduce congestion after Cowan Center events, Scott Scarborough, chief fiscal officer, said.

"It was designed to give the Cowan Center parking lot an exit rather than going through the main entrance," Scarborough said. "The construction of the entrance cost about \$10,000. It was paid for through a capital fund

given to UTT for capital improvement projects," he said.

Scarborough also said Mary Spence donated money to do landscaping around the Cowan Center.

"The donor plans to put a fountain in the front of the Cowan Center and a walk through garden along the south side of the Cowan Center," he said.

Scarborough said a different donor is planning to place a fountain at the backside of the Cowan Center, which should be completed by this summer.

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Theatre Class Revisions for Summer I and II

The Department of Theatre and Communications has announced revisions in its class schedules for the summer sessions.

Summer I

Children's Theatre: Revised time 10:45 a.m.-12:20p.m. Mon.-Friday.

Summer II

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TEC winners receive \$1,000 UTT scholarships

Four students from Lewisville High School who placed first at the East Texas regional Texas Engineering Challenge (TEC) on March 6 were presented with \$1000 engineering scholarships by UTT.

The recipients were James Richardson, Preston Bocksell, Braulio Capalad and Michael Richardson. They will advance to the state competition held April 9-10 at UT Austin.

UTT Commission meets to form future plans

The Commission on the Future of UTT met to examine the direction the university should take to best serve students and the community. The commission decided that by 2006 UTT will be affected by changing demographics, economic activities and technological changes in education and communication.

Rodney Mabry, president of UTT, expects the commission will develop guidelines and recommendations by April for a campus strategic planning team to use in preparing a final strategic plan for the university.

Choir and Wind Ensemble concert April 6

The UTT Choir and UTT/TJC Wind Ensemble will hold a concert at Vaughn Auditorium in the Cowan Fine and Performing Arts Center on April 6.

Dr. Robert Barefield, currently a member of the voice faculty at Southern Methodist University, will perform as a soloist.

The UTT/TJC Wind Ensemble will be conducted by Ronald Todd and the UTT Choir and Wind Ensemble will be conducted by Dr. Thomas Allen.

Admission is free.

Azalea Trail festivities held March 19 to April 4

The 40th annual Azalea and Spring Flower Trail is holding various events in the Tyler area.

The Trail includes seven miles of home gardens filled with azaleas, dogwoods, and other spring flowers.

Some events include an Arts and Crafts Fair, the Azalea 10K and Fun Run, Texas Blues Festival, Tyler Civic Ballet Spring Concert and performances by the East Texas Symphony.

For more information on events, contact the Tyler Convention and Visitors Bureau at 407 N Broadway or by calling 800-235-5712.

MSU names streets after retired UTT professor

Dr. Robert L. Jones was honored by Mississippi State University in a dedication ceremony held on March 19.

Jones is a former vice president for student affairs at MSU.

The streets involved are in MSU's sorority park. They will be named Robert Louis Jones Circle and the Robert Louis Jones Drive.

Jones is a retired professor of education at UTT, where he was also vice president for administration.

He has also been honored by UTT as the namesake of the Robert L. Jones Student Leadership Award and by MSU with the Mississippi Association of Higher Education's Robert L. Jones Professional Leadership Award.

Christian music group Acappella to perform

The Christian Music group Acappella will perform in concert at 7 p.m. on April 5 at the Alpine Church of Christ in Longview.

Tickets are available at the Christian center at Kilgore College, New Life Bible Bookstore and Alpine Church of Christ in Longview, at the East Texas Christian Center at TJC and at Better Books Christian Center in Tyler.

For more information contact Kirk Eason at 903-984-3700.

Student Activities plans activities for April

Student Activities is planning several different activities for students during April. Softball will be starting soon. Spring Fling will be going on on April 22 at Bergfield Park.

"We will have food, and various things for students to do. It should be an enjoyable time for all," Student Activities Director Ernest McAllister said.

The Stuart blood drive will also be going on April 26.

Swing dancing will still be held all throughout April every Wed. at 5:30 p.m. in the commons area of the University Center.

Other on going activities include intramural tennis, golf, and sand volleyball.

UTT Student Counseling Center gives abuse screening for National Alcohol Screening Day

The UTT Student Counseling Center will offer substance abuse screenings as part of the National Alcohol Screening Day.

The activities will take place on April 8 from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the UC.

Activities will include a health fair, education sessions about alcohol problems, and anonymous screenings for alcohol abuse.

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New grant brings changes to education programs

By Kelli Vance

Systems Manager

The education program at UT Tyler will undergo a major overhaul beginning this fall.

The Professional Development School (PDS) program will essentially be absorbed into the education program. Changes in accreditation rules require that the entire education program be field based.

Currently, students not involved in the PDS program go out into the schools, observe, then report what they see to the university, with very little actual classroom practice. Students enrolled in the PDS program interact almost daily with school children.

The new program hopes to find a middle ground between these two extremes.

Students entering the education program this fall will follow the new guidelines while students currently enrolled will be accommodated.

"We're going to run both programs all of next year, at least," William Bruce, department of curriculum and

instruction chairman, said. "The following fall [2000] we're going to bring any students who are in the old program in effect into the new program by scheduling only those classes in the new program. But we'll substitute whatever we need to substitute so people can graduate on time."

"We're going to operate it so that it does not work to the disadvantage of the students in terms of the degree plan they already have."

PDS will now involve secondary students as well. Every student in the program will have field-based courses.

Only 15 percent of education students are in the PDS program, which has operated for six years at two elementary schools in Tyler: Birdwell and Mattie Jones.

Currently, PDS students spend four days per week at Birdwell and Jones. The new program is not as intensive. "If we did that kind of PDS program for the entire program, we would lose a third or more of our students," Bruce said. "We had to come up with something between two extremes."

Plans for the program facelift have been in the works since the original PDS program was implemented. Planning funds provided last year helped finance some of the trips faculty made to other school districts around the state in preparation of the new program.

Dr. Mil Clark, school of education and psychology dean, said. "It was not just a university venture. It is a collaborative venture between the public schools and us, because they're going to take part of the responsibility for what we're doing."

Education students will be spending more class time in public schools, literally.

As part of the new program, several public schools had to commit an on-site classroom for the education students. Tyler, Chapel Hill, Longview, Troup, Brownsboro and Bullard school districts will host these classrooms. Part of a \$600,000 grant will provide the necessary furnishings and the technological equipment needed to prepare teachers to use instructional technology as a part of the teaching process.

"We're also upgrading some things on this campus with that money," Clark said. As part of the upgrade, classrooms used in the education program will receive podiums outfitted with complete multimedia presentation systems.

The new program outline will still contain four phases and absorb any remaining education students by the fall of 2000.

Phase I students will still take Education 3310, child growth and devel-

opment, and Reading 3350. Field experiences will not change. Students will be assigned a school in and will report their observations to the University.

A group will go out in the field with the new Phase II next spring.

Phase II will contain all of the methods courses currently in Phase III. It will require four 2-hour courses and a one-hour practicum. Secondary education students may take EPSY 3340 in this phase if they desire.

"In the past we've been scheduling the methods courses on Tuesday/Thursday," Bruce said.

"We anticipate those would be moved to a Monday/Friday schedule with the practicum scheduled on Wednesday. So if you were taking four methods courses all at one time, you might start class at 8 a.m. and go all the way through until 2 o'clock or so to take all four of those methods courses on Monday and Friday. Then on Wednesday, you'd have the one hour practicum, which requires three hours in the school. So that Wednesday is free for the students to go to our PDS sites that will serve Phase II and we're calling them PDS, and in effect they are," Bruce said.

Phase III is more intensive. Students will take three courses at one of seven school sites. Students will participate in some observation, but will begin tutoring children one-on-one, conduct small-group sessions, and then finally teach a full-class session.

Phase IV will still constitute student

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Alpha Chi travels to New Orleans for convention

The National Convention for Alpha Chi Scholastic Honor Society was held in New Orleans on March 18-20.

UT Tyler students who made the trip to New Orleans were Suzanne Pundt, sponsor and president of Region II; Dr. James Koukl, assistant sponsor; Dana Dudley, president; Melinda Stanley, historian; Karen Taylor, vice-president elect and Andrew Riley.

Wolf Blitzer of CNN was the keynote speaker for the opening banquet. The attendees also participated in many service activities. Dudley, Riley, Stanley and Taylor all presented papers. And Dudley, Riley and Taylor were presiders over student presenta-

tion sessions.

Dr. Koukl served on one of the scholarship committees, Suzanne Pundt organized all of the Region II committees and conducted the business meeting for Region II, and Melinda Stanley served on the Region II Audit Committee.

Alpha Chi will be electing new officers on Tuesday, April 13, at 4:30 p.m. in SCI 139. All members who are interested in becoming an officer are invited to attend this meeting.

If you are not able to attend and are interested, please call Suzanne Pundt at 566-7166.

Career Fair a success for students

By Renee Conditt

Production Manager/Reporter

The UTT Career Services Department hosted a career fair Tuesday in the U.C. open area. The fair started at noon and lasted until 6 p.m.

According to Melanie Godwin, Personnel Consultant for Express Personnel Services, the fair was a success.

Many students visited her booth as well as others, she said.

Express Personnel Services was one of two participating career placement companies. Olsten Staffing was the other one.

Other participating companies included Azleway Inc., Circuit City Stores, Enterprise Rent-a-Car, FDIC, Longview Regional,

Neiman-Marcus, RPS, Texas Attorney General, Texas Department of Health, Texas Department Human Services, Texas Department of Wildlife, U.S. Air Force, UT Health Center and Vertex Communication.

Among other companies that are offering specific jobs are Southside Bank, American Express, ETMC-Jacksonville, KETK-TV, New York Life, Stage Stores/Bealls, TU Electric and Tyler Junior College.

Southside Bank is offering retail banking positions for its main branch in Tyler located on Beckham street.

The company wants experienced people in sales and marketing who are receiving a bachelor's degree, but the degree doesn't necessarily have to be in business.

American Express is seeking financial advisors for their Longview and Shreveport locations. No experience is necessary. The company will provide training. Students are required to have a degree, but it doesn't have to be a business degree.

According to Sharon Martin, Area Recruiting Coordinator for American Express, the starting salary is \$24,000 a year plus commission.

ETMC-Jacksonville is offering a full time RN position with pay of \$13.65 an hour plus benefits.

Stage Stores/Bealls is offering retail management positions. According to Regina Edwards, Bealls' District Manager, many students have already set up interviews with her for the next few weeks.

TU Electric needs to fill positions for

students receiving their degree in technology. The company is also filling positions for its accounting and finance department. The positions are needed for the Dallas area.

Finally, TJC is offering various instructor positions.

TJC also has positions available for all types of degrees. A program is offered so people interested can send in their resume and a letter describing their skills. Then, TJC will keep the application for 13 months. During that time, if a job becomes available that fits the applicant, TJC will send them a letter of notification. If their interested, they write them back and set up an interview.

"TJC is a great environment to work in. I really encourage it," Ferguson said.

Pre-med Association prepares students for exams

By Jeff Sprick

News Editor

The UTT Pre-Medical and Pre-Dental Association helps undergraduate students who are interested in pursuing medical and dental careers. The organization helps undergraduate students prepare for the rigorous and demanding entrance exam MCAT (Medical College Admission Test) for medical schools. The organization is meant for student in science related fields, but the association will also help other students interested in medical school even if their major is not science related.

With test dates approaching, the Pre-Med Association and its adviser Dr. James Stewart want students to know that the association is there to help students understand and prepare for what medical schools want.

The highest a student can score on the test is a 45, but average scores range around 25, Stewart said.

The average score for the MCAT is 25, but UT Tyler students average at a score of 27, Stewart said.

To be considered for most medical schools a student must have a GPA of at least 3.5.

A student must present 3 to 4 letters of recommendation from profes-

sors who know their academic capability, Stewart said.

Pre-Med Association President Jay Akin said the association tries to help students contact people they need to talk with to get into medical school.

The goal of the association is to help people decide if medical school is what they really want to do, Akin said. "We show what the schools want, and show them (students) the best way to prepare for medical schools."

The association visits medical schools and gets members involved in the volunteer world. This pro-

vides a tactical environment that presents members to experience the true feeling of the medical environment.

"I enjoyed going to medical schools, it helped me to see what they were like," Paul Denson, association vice president said. "It gives you a feel to what to expect when you get there."

Stuart will be conducting a seminar on April 19 at noon for pre-med students to discuss where they stand. This includes MCAT data, financial aid and other items that will produce the best methods for MCAT preparation.

For more information on the Pre-Med Association and the MCAT call Stewart at 566-7259.

Community organizations attend UTT Expo

By Jeff Sprick

News Editor

The Office of Student Activities held a community expo yesterday in the University Center's main foyer. Organizations from all over East Texas were on hand to discuss volunteer, internships, information on community organizations and information to help college students in different ways.

Student Activities Director Ernest MacAllister organized the event and help put it on.

Students can go around to each booth and learn what each organization has to offer, MacAllister said.

The Better Business Bureau partici-

pated to educate students on checking into businesses and other avenues of the business world. They had pamphlets on various issues to help better organize one's business ventures.

Amanda McGill, of the Better Business Bureau, stressed the importance of checking into things before going after them.

"Don't ever give money to anyone, or personal identification information, like your social security number, before you thoroughly check them out. It is also good to do this before you do business with them," McGill said.

The greatest number of other booths consisted of volunteer organizations.

Vera Moore with Habitat for Humanity said she wanted to encourage students to get into volunteering for its rewarding feeling of doing good for others.

The Big Brothers and Big Sisters organization was also there, attempting to find people who want to work with children.

They are looking for people who like working with kids and like to make a difference in a person's life.

"We have events once a month, and college students would make a perfect brother or sister," Lesley Nelson, Big Brother case manager, said.

Internships were also available for students at the expo. Besides having volunteer positions, the East Texas Crisis Center also has many internships available to students.

Several social science students, councilors and psychology students have held internships with the East Texas Crisis Center.

Volunteer practicums are also available for interested students, ETCC Volunteer J.B. Robinson said.

Nursing major Chujunna Ferguson found the expo helpful.

"I think it is very interesting. As an RN, it will help me out in nursing-related training," Ferguson said.

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should do.
You can install screening software. Screening software is a parental tool designed to prevent harmful material from reaching children who are surfing the web.

Some software, such as SurfWatch, can bar access to chat area and Usenet.

Cyber Snoop is a tool that allows parents to view a record of your child's Internet activity while he was on the computer.

The ideal situation would be a

combination of mild parental supervision and screening software to keep online sex offenders away from your children.

Most of the material on the net is not harmful to your children. In fact, much of it is beneficial, fun and educational.

Children being hunted by child predators and viewing pornography, is a problem that will not just go away.

It must be dealt with in order to protect all children.

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more prepared to handle a classroom.

Two new faculty members have been added this semester with a possible third to be hired this fall. PDS professors will team up with education professors to run the program which will involve 140 elementary and 40 secondary men-

tor teachers.

"We're going to lose some students, perhaps, but in the long run I think we'll probably not lose students because the quality of the program will be recognized and more people will say 'I think I'll be successful in it.'" Bruce said.

CAMPUS CAFE MENU

J.W. Finns

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Served from 7 a.m. to 10 a.m.
Prices subject to change

Eggs	
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3 eggs	1.95

Pancakes	
Double stack	1.99
Triple stack	2.49

Biscuits & Cream Gravy	
Single99
Double	1.49
Single w/Sausage	1.49
Club (served with egg, sausage and cheese)	2.49

Sides	
Hash Browns99
Skillet Fries99
Bagels	Bacon
Fresh Fruit	Danish
Fruit Bowl	Sausage
Toast	Cereal
Ham	

Combo Breakfast Meal	
2 eggs, 2 pancakes, Sausage & Toast	4.50

Grill

Served from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Hamburger	\$2.50
Cheeseburger	2.75
Bacon Cheeseburger	3.25
Green Chilli Cheeseburger	
w/Pepper Jack Cheese	3.25
B.L.T.	2.25
Chicken Fried Steak Sandwich	2.95
Grilled Chicken Sandwich	3.95
Hot Dog	1.75
w/Cheese	1.95
w/Cheese & Chili	2.25
Chili Cheese Nachos	2.75
Pizza by the Slice	2.25
(cheese, pepperoni & ham)	
Chicken Finger Basket	3.45

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