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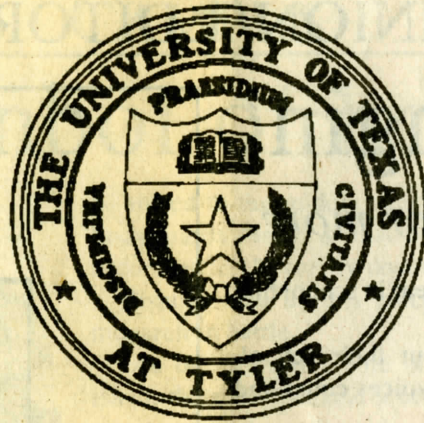
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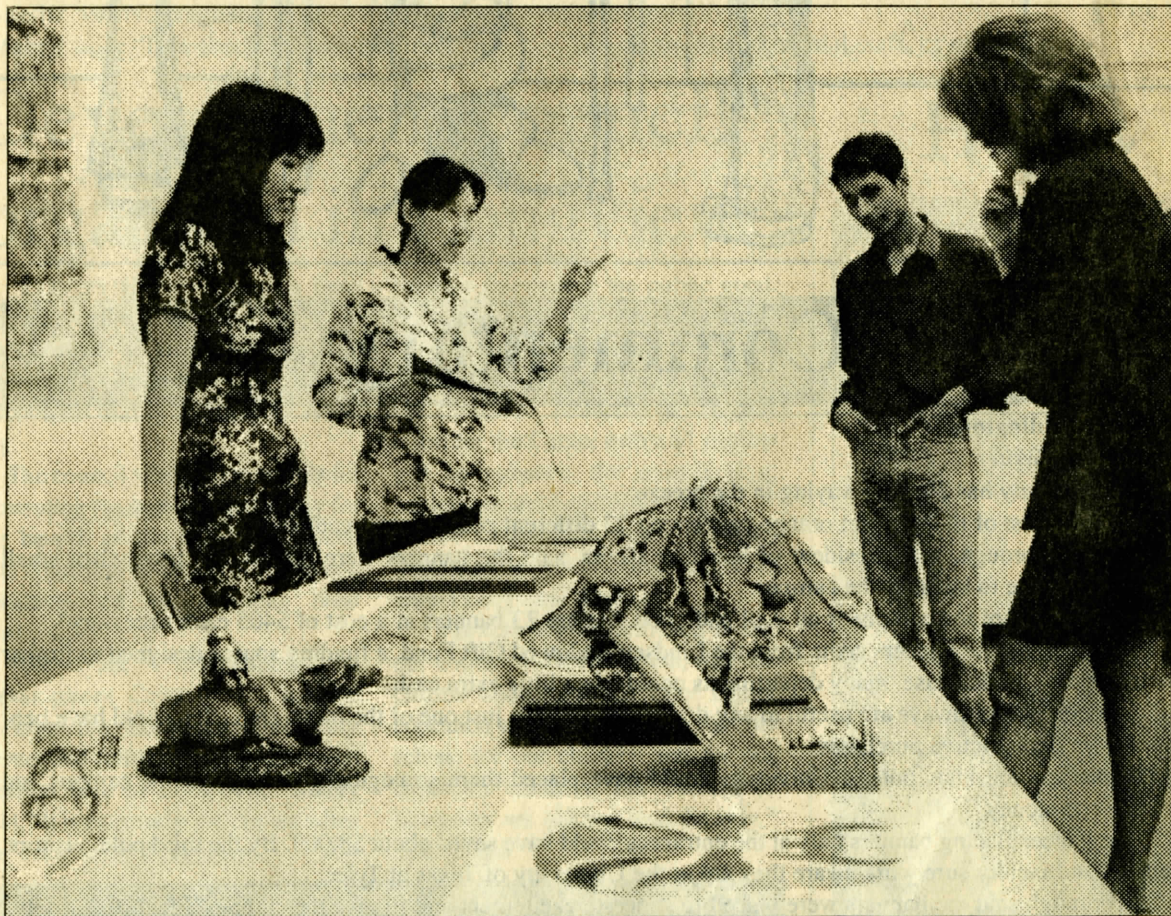
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International get together



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CULTURAL CELEBRATION — Students, from left to right, Jodie Luk, Wen Zhang, and Viren Wasnikar discuss the China exhibit with lecturer Mary Ellen Wright during last week's Intercultural Day. The University has nearly 30 international students, said Wright, who is the chairman of the Intercultural Affairs and International Studies committee.

Instructors recognized for teaching abilities

by Wendy L. Moore
 Editor-in-Chief

Two UT Tyler faculty members will receive teaching awards at the spring commencement exercises on May 6.

Dr. Donald McLaugherty, chair and associate professor of chemistry, will receive the Chancellor's Outstanding Teaching Award for 1999-2000.

Dr. Carol Grothues, assistant professor of psychology, is the Piper



McLAUGHERTY

Professional nominee for 2000-2001.

The Chancellor's Outstanding Teacher Award recipient must be a tenured or tenure-track faculty member. The award recognizes excellence in teaching at the undergraduate level.

The selection process for both awards was conducted by the

agreed to release comments about the instructors without the names

"Dr. McLaugherty is one of the most hardworking professors I've ever met. His enthusiasm for chemistry is contagious," one student wrote.

This year's award recipient will receive a \$5,000 check.

McLaugherty said he didn't expect the award.

"I heard I had been nominated . . . I never thought I'd hear anything else about it," he said. "It's quite an honor."

Dr. Bill Baker, provost and vice-president of academic affairs, informed McLaugherty of his selection Monday afternoon.

McLaugherty has taught at the university since 1977. He earned his bachelor's and master's degrees at Sam Houston State University, then named Sam Houston State Teachers College.

He taught at Central Texas and Tarleton State Colleges before attending Baylor University where he received his doctorate in chemistry.

McLaugherty said he enjoys working with young people and

McLaugherty said he likes teaching at a smaller university because he is able to get to know all of his students.

"I know all of my students," he said. "We like to keep in touch with our graduates. Many come visit quite often."

"He takes time out of his busy schedule to get to know students, their needs, wants, and concerns," one student said.

McLaugherty is also a Boy Scout master for a local troop. He said he became a troop leader in

1983 and has three sons who were Eagle Scouts. Two sons have graduated from college and one is a freshman in high school.

Grothues, the Piper Professor Nominee for 2000-2001, is in her fifth year of teaching at the University.

Recipients of this award must be full-time instructors.



GROTHUES

Administrator announces

Administrator announces retirement plans for 2001

by Aaron Roberts
Patriot Writer

Dr. Bill Baker announced Tuesday his plans to retire as provost and vice president of academic affairs at the University of Texas at Tyler effective Aug 23, 2001.

Baker came to the University on June 1, 1995 after working as vice president of academic affairs for 29 years at other universities including The University of Texas at Arlington.

"As a new president in the summer of 1998, I was fortunate to have Bill Baker here to 'break me in,'" UT President Rodney Mabry said.

As provost, Baker oversaw all the academic units on campus.

"I am sad that this university will lose its strongest, most stabilizing academic influence," Mabry said.

When asked why he was leaving Baker said "It was just time to retire."

Baker said the thing he enjoyed most about his job is being involved with people.

"The people here are what I will miss most," Baker said.

A committee is scheduled to begin a nationwide search in mid-summer for a new provost and vice president of academic affairs, Mabry said in a press release.

Baker said he is not sure what he will do after leaving the University in 2001.

Journalism students win four awards

Two students earned four awards for their work on *The Patriot* at the annual Texas Intercollegiate Press Association conference and competition held at Baylor University in Waco on April 13-14.

The University of Texas in Tyler competed in Division 3 for colleges and universities. The awards were for entries that were published in 1999.

Editor Wendy L. Moore won for the following awards:

★ Second place — headline writing for "Former astronaut lands on campus."

★ Second place — news page design.

Moore served as co-editor with Kelli Vance during the fall semester. Vance won the following awards:

★ Second place — opinion page design.

★ Third place — feature page design.



by Luke Henderson
Patriot Writer

Wheat reflects on University service career

Throughout her 25-year career at the University of Texas at Tyler, Martha Wheat has held many titles. After May 6 she will hold the title of "retired."

As Wheat collected her belongings in her office this week to make room for her replacement, she took some time to reflect upon her tenure.

"I was hired as an admissions officer, then I became the director of admissions, and that's where I served the longest," Wheat said.

Five years ago she took over Student Records and became that department director.

"Now I am going to just be, Martha Wheat," Wheat said.

Married to her childhood sweetheart, Wheat started back to school after raising her children.

"I looked to attend a neighboring school . . . and after my first day of registering, [I] cried all the way home," Wheat said.

A lack of service and caring by that school is what led to her tears, she said.

Her unhappiness led her to look to the a new school coming into the area by the name of Tyler State College, later to become UT Tyler.

"From that day on that institution has been a blessing to me, it provided me an education and a wonderful job," Wheat said.

Wheat, who started here when the school opened, says working at the University has "been a blast."

As one of the first students to attend, she has seen the University go through many changes.

The biggest change she recalls was in 1976 when the school from a junior high building to the current location.

Wheat said the biggest joy in her work has been the students, one of whom was confined to an iron lung and needed the assistance of the entire campus to attend class.

"One of the first disabled student who came to this campus registered himself and bought his own books, she said. "I caught him on the way out after he registered and I asked him how it went. Big ol' tears rolled out of his eyes, and he said, 'I registered myself today.' I was so thankful that this campus could do that for him," Wheat recalled.

Wheat's immediate goal upon retiring is to sleep late the following Monday. After that she hopes to write a daily devotional book for her grand-see **WHEAT** on page 3

Faculty Awards Committee and involved input from faculty and students.

The names of the people who nominated the instructors are confidential, but the review committee

helping students develop potential in the field of chemistry.

"I think its wonderful to be in the teaching profession," he said. "You can influence thousands of students, hopefully in a positive way."

The purpose of the award is to honor faculty members for their dedication to the teaching profession and for their outstanding academic, scientific and scholarly see **TEACHERS** on page 3

Runoffs finalize SA board

by Jennifer Jones
Patriot Writer

Students elected six new Student Association representatives from four University colleges during a Wednesday runoff election.

Numerous write-in candidates from the March election forced Wednesday's runoff. Balloting was held from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Election officials counted 53 ballots — 40 of those in the College of Education and Psychology. Five ballots were invalidated.

Representative positions were filled for the following colleges:

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Prior to the election, Nidia Arellano won the only open seat by default.

Ryan Watson would have been a candidate, but failed to meet the deadline to appear on the ballot. Natalie Welch withdrew from the race.

EDUCATION AND PSYCHOLOGY

Four candidates were vying for three positions in this college.

Christine Hudson topped votes with 37. Shelly Hamrick and Lissette Rojas won the remaining two positions, both with 25 votes. The fourth candidate, Holly Pope, received 16 votes.

COLLEGE OF NURSING

Samantha Smith won the only vacant seat with three votes. Carla Lineberger placed second with two votes.

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Justin Grolemond received three votes, giving him a seat on the association. Candidate Jason Randall did not receive any votes.

To determine the outcome of the election, Dr. Dale

Lunsford, Aimee Griffy, treasurer, and Kevin see **RUNOFFS** on page 3

Campus vehicle involved in accident



Ernest Celaya

CRUNCHED — An Audio Visual Services vehicle takes a licking and keeps on tickin'. The crash broke the front window and damaged the cab.

by Laura McWilliams
Patriot Writer

Audio Visual Services employees refused Wednesday to give details about last week's accident involving the department's new motorized media cart.

The cart was being driven by an employee when the accident occurred April 20. No injuries were reported, Kyle Stewart, department supervisor said.

Stewart and his secretary, Janice Van Pelt, initially refused to give any information about the accident to a Patriot reporter. Stewart also questioned the news worthiness of the incident.

He later gave a brief statement to the newspaper's editor.

"There wasn't anything to say other than it was wrecked," Stewart said.

He did indicate the driver was a female, but he refused to release her name.

The accident shattered the cart's windshield, crushed a corner of the canopy and damaged the cab.

Stewart said replacing the cab would cost \$2,000.

The Patriot has filed an open records request under the Texas Public Information Act asking Stewart release specific details of the accident including the driver's name and her status with the University.

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Things have been a changin'

Campus improves over years, still some room for more



My Thoughts Exactly

by **Laura McWilliams**
Patriot Writer

I've seen UT Tyler go through a lot of changes in the three years I've been a student here.

Although the school still has a long way to go and a lot of improvements to make, it really has come a long way in a short time.

When I first came here, the administration was entirely different.

I don't think I ever saw Dr. George Hamm.

I'm still not sure I'd recognize him if I ran over him; some might consider that a blessing.

But in just two years Dr. Rodney Mabry has made several changes in the school and the way it operates.

The white cards found in the library are one of the greatest new additions to come with the new regime.

These cards go directly to Mabry and give students an opportunity to tell him what they think about issues concerning them.

I know he reads the cards and often replies to the students who fill them out.

The dean of students position is another positive new addition the university did without for more than 20 years.

A dean of students acts as a liaison between students and administrators, giving students another way to have their concerns addressed.

Students have been wrongly labeled apathetic in the past.

More students participated in this year's spring

elections than probably any other year in school history.

This proves students care about their school. They just need to be shown their voices count and they can make a difference.

I urge students to fill out white cards when they are moved, either positively or negatively, by something on campus.

Contact Lunsford and Mabry and talk to these administrators. Tell them how you feel.

No problem can be solved unless others realize the problem exists.

Don't be intimidated by their positions. Remember, if it weren't for students, they wouldn't have jobs.

Now I have something to tell the administration: don't forget about the students.

I know the administrators of this school are concerned with funding programs and providing students with first-class facilities.

Students want the facilities and programs, but we also need to feel like the administration wants us here.

We are more than enrollment figures on a piece of paper or tuition dollars in the bank.

We are people and need to be recognized as such.

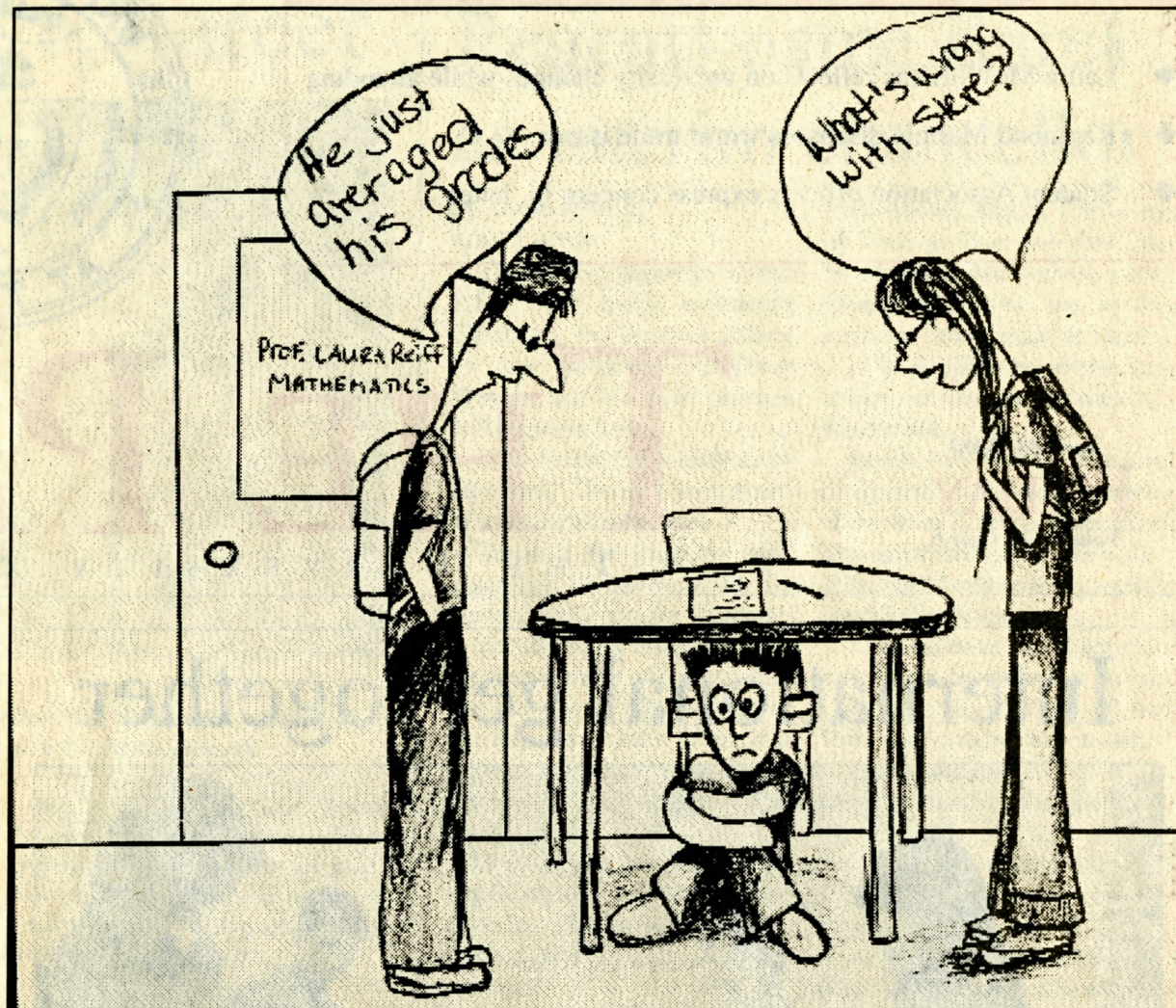
Thank you for giving us a voice through Lunsford, the white cards and the newly renamed Student Government Association.

But remember students live in a narrow field of classes, homework and family.

As administrators, you can see the big picture more clearly than students can.

In your race to make UT Tyler a better place, don't leave the students behind.

Happy alumni are probably the best advertising UT Tyler could ever hope for, and they are free.



Commentary

by **Becky Eddington**
Contributing Writer

The University has \$9,315 swaying in the breeze.

That's the cost of those bright orange banners on 23 different poles around campus.

Scott Scarborough, vice president of business affairs, said the banners were placed at a time when small things were done to beautify the campus.

Beautification of the campus is all well and good, but are 23 banners at a cost of \$405 each necessary?

The money for the banners came from the Lindsey Endowed Gift Fund, a funding source designed to further the University. In that case, many departments could use a little extra cash.

Faster computers always are useful to any department. That's just one of the many areas that could have benefited from unrestrictive purchases.

The banners are nice, but the University could have placed them strategically throughout the campus and saved some money.

For instance, placing banners only at the entrances could have saved about \$8,000. By the third pole, visitors, students and faculty surely are aware they are at the University of Texas at Tyler.

Scarborough said the banners were placed to generate excitement and to give the campus a feel of festivity.

The banners are an expensive party favor.

CAMPUS VOICE

The University has hired a performer for spring graduation. Do you think the university choir should sing at graduation?

Commencement

10 a.m.

1:30 p.m.

Cowan Center

May 6.

International trade organizations spark protests

The recent wave of protests targeting major international institutions is a telling exhibition

From My

The answer depends on which side fence they're on.

"They could use the



IYAWÉ

money to pay for something more useful. The choir students should sing."

— Regina Iyawe, Junior, Nursing

"It's o.k. for the ceremony. They need someone professional for special events."

— Daniel White, freshman, General Business



OWENS

"The choir should sing." — Cammie Owens, senior, Elementary Education

"The choir should sing because it is a university function."

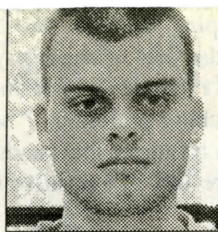
— Donald Freeman, senior, Technology

"That's just extra money spent on something unnecessary. We should show school spirit and let the choir sing."

— Jim Cain, junior, Surveying

"It's wrong. The choir should sing."

— Chris Mauldin, junior, Technology



WHITE



FREEMAN



MAULDIN

of the world's disenchantment with how they conduct business.

Early this year, protests marred the delegates' meeting at the World Trade Organization in Seattle.

The main bone of contention was the exclusive nature of this monster body.

Protesters expressed their disgust at the way developed countries relegated the agenda of third world countries to the peripheries.

The World Bank and the International Monetary Fund — two Bretton Woods Institutions whose double jeopardy philanthropy has turned many third world countries into basket cases — are the victims of this new wave of protest.

Once again, at issue is the manner in which they have turned developing countries into experimental grounds for new fiscal policies.

They are blamed for their risky experiments in developing countries where governments have lost touch with the demands of the people and are, instead, forced to respond to conditions imposed by these institutions.

Both institutions have offices in major developing countries from where they monitor the individual country's fiscal performance.

Recently, there have been painful fiscal and monetary policy changes in developing countries, which, according to the World Bank and IMF are prescriptions for better economic growth.

As conditions for new aid commitments from the institutions, citizens of developing countries — dependent on the government for basic services like education and health —



Perspective

by Raymond Muhula

Patriot Writer

have been forced to pay for these basic services.

Major currency devaluation has occurred in most third world countries under pressure of the World Bank and the IMF.

This has caused an alarming rate of poverty as the devalued currencies find it difficult to compete with major currencies.

Indeed, the rest of the world sees an agenda being pursued by the developed world; an agenda to annihilate the rest of the world through starvation and perpetual economic dependence on these and other donor institutions.

While most observers dismiss the protesters as a group of people pursuing their own interest, there is a growing realization within the international community and several major world organizations that the honeymoon is over.

It is time to face what third world governments have been facing from disgruntled citizens.

In an interview with the BBC, World Bank president James Wolfensohn, admitted that his predictions were wrong when he thought that protests could only be targeted at the World Trade Organization and not the World Bank.

Are the World Bank, the IMF and WTO merely victims of the by products of international trade and investment politics that have been altered by the global economy?

These institutions have argued that their role in the international geo-political and economic structure is to provide openings for trade and investment.

They continue to see their role as market regulators determined to direct the international market in a manner most likely to produce viable returns for all.

They see their duty as expanding the macro-economic space of the world market, advising governments and corporations on judicious and disciplined fiscal practices.

Opponents see these institutions as limiting the competitive advantage of developing countries through stringent conditions which, according to protesters, stifle economic growth.

With almost three quarters of the world's poor in developing countries the protesters certainly have reason to complain.

Mike Moore, head of the World Trade Organization and a victim of similar protests, has likened the World Bank to the Red Cross, saying that blaming the World Bank for poverty is like blaming the Red Cross for World War I and II.

However, he misses the point because while the Red Cross' agenda is dictated by humanitarian concern and a genuine desire to create peace and stability, the World Bank's approach is motivated by a deep seated desire to direct and redirect the economic paths of developing countries to doom.

It remains to be seen whether the World Bank and IMF agenda will change to reflect the growing discontent that has been forcefully exhibited at their backyard.

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Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

We have always supported *The Patriot* for its continuity in reporting interests of students and the affairs that concern them. We understand the value a campus newspaper can bring to its community and the dedication that it takes to accomplish this massive task.

However, we are disheartened at the lack of interest *The Patriot* has shown in the first spring formal held at UT-Tyler. We understand that the paper cannot cover all stories, but as students we expect it to cover significant advances in student life.

We feel that any event, such as the formal, should have been of interest to *The Patriot*.

Several students spent over 30 hours in the course of a weekend to prepare for the April 8 Mardi Gras Masquerade. We had a significant turnout and a whole lot of fun.

In the future, we hope than any student organization event will be encouraged and acknowledged by *The Patriot*.

Sincerely,

Michelle L. Ledoux

Sophomore

Political Science

Aimee Griffy

Sophomore

English

Medalion stands as symbol of honor

by Lana Cain
Contributing Writer

In spite of all the usual pomp and circumstance of graduation, quite often it's the little things that go unnoticed.

Through all the speeches, music and regalia there are the not so famous symbols of University tradition — a special medallion necklace worn by the president and a six-foot mace carried by the senior faculty member.

For most of the year, both objects are just displays outside the president's office. On graduation days they take center stage, although not always the center of attention.

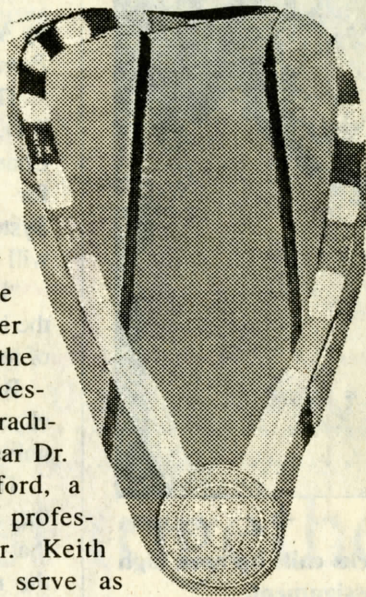
The University of Texas medallion — a symbol of office — hangs from a broad orange-velvet cord interlaced with gold inserts engraved with the names of all three University presidents and the years they served.

"The medallion can be traced back to the Sheriff of Nottingham," President Rodney Mabry said. "It is the best example from his-

tory."
Mabry wears the

medallion necklace over his robe as he follows directly behind the mace bearer who leads the faculty procession during graduation. This year Dr. Robert Cranford, a mathematics professor, and Dr. Keith McCoy will serve as mace bearers.

The origin of ceremonial staff, or mace, can



be traced to the middle ages when the king's bodyguards used a mace for protection, according to University documents.

Bishops also used a mace to protect the monarch in battle.

As the protective role of bishops diminished, the mace became a ceremonial scepter representing the monarch's authority.

The construction of the mace also changed as its purpose changed — from wooden clubs encased in metal heavy enough to break armor to staffs decorated with precious metals and jewels.

Over time, universities adopted the mace to show the rite of institutions to confer academic degrees and honors.

It is a tradition Mabry said he truly enjoys playing a part.

"Graduation is such a happy day for students and their families. It's exciting for me and very humbling," he said. "It gives me goose bumps to a part of it."

Association agrees on new logo idea

by Jennifer Jones
Patriot Writer

Student Association members unanimously approved a resolution last week supporting the need for a new University logo, but urged President Rodney Mabry to present students with several options.

Michelle Ledoux, the association's secretary and president-elect, proposed the resolution be adopted and submitted to Mabry along with other logo suggestions.

"We agree on the need for a new logo, but at the same time we need to have choices," she said.

Earlier this month, Mabry proposed changing the University's 20-year-old logo from an eagle dressed in colonial garb and carrying a Texas flag to a "stylized" eagle. His proposed logo features a silhouette of an eagle's head partially encircled.

Dr. Dale Lunsford, dean of students, asked association members how they believed the proposed logo could be improved.

A consensus said the logo simply needed "texture" and "distinction."

Members also discussed asking the University community to propose additional logos — a sugges-

tion that also will be passed on to the president.

Also during the meeting members discussed the need for volunteers to help with the Patriot Golf Classic youth putting contest and scheduling summer student government meetings.

Ledoux and treasurer Aimee Gruffy also discussed conducting an orientation session for new and returning officers as well as representatives.

The two officers also informed members about recommendations they made to the University of Texas Board of Regents.

Those recommendations included waiving tuition for graduate students who are teaching assistants, requiring the UT system to compile a consistent financial aid policy, increasing the UTT web site bandwidth to allow more on-line students services and publishing all statistical course evaluations.

The minority and multi-cultural affairs committee also recommended the UT system offer a medical Spanish class.

The next meeting will be held May 1 at 5 p.m. in University Center 118.

Development council organized in Longview

LONGVIEW — Officials have organized a Development Council for the Longview University Center, president Rodney H. Mabry announced during an April 17 meeting.

The council will be responsible for generating funds to be used solely for the benefit of the Longview center. The council is made up of Longview residents led by chairman Neal Garland.

"We are establishing a Development Council . . . to help develop the Longview University Center and fulfill its higher education mission here in Longview," Mabry said. "It is extremely significant when the community leadership . . . steps

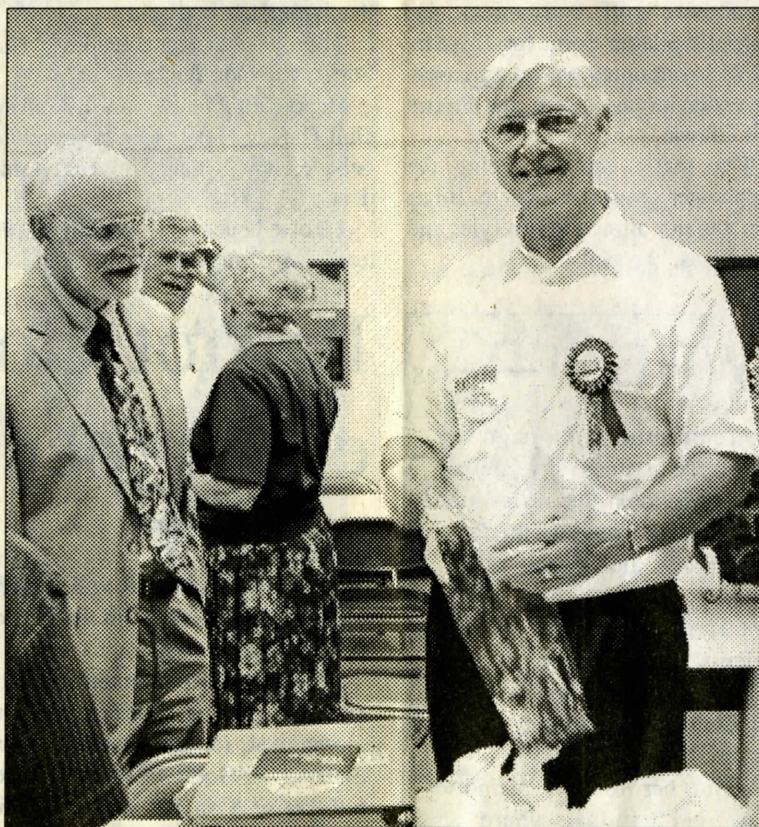
forward to advance the public good. Private support is what makes the difference for public institutions."

Garland and his wife, Peggy, led the Longview philanthropic support effort for the Center with a \$1 million gift to enhance the construction, equipment and furnishing budget.

The Garlands also pledged \$600,000 in scholarship funds to attract Longview students.

"It is very important to East Texas, our entire 14-county region, that the citizens understand and value higher education as we improve life for ourselves, for our children and for our children's children. The citizens of Longview are helping lead the way," Mabry said.

Happy retirement



staff photo

RETIREMENT RECEPTION — Jim Stewart will retire after working in the College of Science and Mathematics since 1974. He was honored Wednesday with a reception.

Briefs

B. Yandle to speak at commencement

Dr. Bruce Yandle, a Clemson University economist, will be the

Alpha Chi is a coeducational honor society designed to promote academic excellence and exemplary character among college and university students.

Interested students should con-

Campus Crime Report

by Luke Henderson
Police Reporter

The following is a list of offense reports from the UT Tyler campus police for April 10 to 26.

■ April 10: A fire alarm was reported at the Cowan Center.

■ April 11: A traffic collision was reported in parking Lot 9.

■ April 12: Found property at the University Pines Apartments.

■ April 13: Investigation of non-criminal property damage in parking Lot 9.

■ April 15: Possession of alco-

■ April 16: Criminal mischief reported at the University Pines Apartments.

■ April 20: Investigation of non-criminal property damage behind the Administration Building.

■ April 22: Investigation of a burglary incident in the University Pines Apartments.

■ April 25: Unauthorized solicitation calls at the University Center.

■ April 25: Theft incident at the Health & Kinesiology building.

■ April 25: Criminal trespass



featured speaker during the May 6 commencement.

Yandle is the Alumni Distinguished Professor of Economics at Clemson where he directs the Center for Policy & Legal Studies in the College of Business & Public Affairs.

He has served in Washington as senior economist on the staff of the President's Council on Wage and Price Stability and as executive director of the Federal Trade Commission.

Prior to entering a university teaching career, Yandle was in the industrial machinery business for 15 years.

He is author or editor of 14 books including "Land Rights: The 1990s Property Rights Rebellion," "Taking the Environment Seriously," "The Political Limits of Environmental Regulations" and "Common Sense and Common Law for the Environment."

Yandle is chairman of South Carolina's State Board of Economic Advisors and a Spartanburg Methodist College trustee.

Alpha Chi seeking officer candidates

The Texas Alpha Xi Chapter of Alpha Chi needs student members to fill the offices of secretary, treasurer and historian.

Interested students should contact faculty sponsor Suzanne Pundt at 566-7166 or by e-mail as soon as possible.

National society to hold ceremony

Beta Gamma Sigma, the National Honor Society for business students, will hold its annual initiation ceremony Sunday in Braithwaite Recital Hall, Dr. Marilyn Young, professor of management, has announced.

The event begins at 1:30 p.m. The recital hall is located in the Cowan Fine and Performing Arts Center.

For more information contact Young at 566-7437.

Nine students added to Who's Who list

Nine students have been selected as inductees to the 1999-2000 list of Who's Who.

Those inductees are: Nancy Blakey, Edgar Cardenas, Sandra Crumbaker and Ada Gonzalez.

Also Carrie Pritchett, Leslie Smith, Jeffrey Sprick, Janice Stevenson and Kevin Warwick.

The inductees were recognized during a ceremony held Thursday afternoon in the campus library.

RUNOFFS

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Montgomery, parliamentarian, gathered to count the votes after balloting ended.

"The turnout was really good for a runoff election," Griffy said.

Response from students during the election was mixed.

"The most common response was that if they voted it would be a blind vote, because they didn't know the candidates," Montgomery said.

Griffy said information had been published about each of the candidates.

"We told students there was information about the election in *The Patriot*," she said.

"These type of responses show that students still aren't aware of all we do and that there isn't a lot of involvement," Montgomery said. "We try to educate students and tell them how their response affects the university."

He said he believes the turnout was good, but that there is still room for improvement in getting students more aware of the Student Association and becoming more

involved in student activities.

"I think things are improving. I didn't expect 50 votes. We are growing and more students are becoming involved," Montgomery said.

Montgomery and Griffy believe the most response came from the College of Education and Psychology because the department is located on the second floor of the University Center where the only election booth was located.

They also agreed it may not have been necessary to keep the booth open until 8 p.m. because they said the best turnout of voters was between the hours of 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

They said it may have been just as effective to close the booth at an earlier hour.

"I think we now have a complete and motivated group of student government members to work with next year," Montgomery said.

An orientation for the new members will be held some time in June, but plans are still pending, Griffy said.

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TEACHER AWARDS

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achievement. Information on the nominee is forwarded to the Minnie Stevens Piper Foundation for consideration at the state level.

The UT Tyler Piper Professor nominee will receive the White Fellowship for Teaching Excellence in the following year.

She said it was a huge honor to receive the award.

"I was really overwhelmed when Dr. Baker called, I couldn't believe it," she said. "For so many of us the effort of teaching goes unnoticed and it's a special feeling to have it acknowledged."

She said she chose a career in academia because it includes three areas she enjoys: teaching, clinical work and research.

"Having an academic position allows me to do all of these," Grothues said. "You can't find that anywhere else."

Several students submitted letters of nomination for her.

"Dr. Grothues is an exemplary

professor. Her dedication to producing quality professionals from our department is unsurpassed," a student said.

Grothues said teaching was extremely gratifying, especially when students become counselors and therapists.

"It's a great bonus to get paid for something you love to do," Grothues said.

Grothues teaches graduate classes, oversees practicum and interim students, advises students, serves on several committees and works with student organizations.

"She is also working on a degree, caring for her family, providing therapy to private clients, and attending professional workshops and seminars," a student said.

Grothues completed her undergraduate studies at Texas A & M University and her graduate studies at the University of Southern Mississippi where she got her doctorate in psychology.

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Sports gives journalist life, love, career

by Jeff Sprick
Patriot Writer

For Phil Hicks sports isn't just a favorite past time. It is his life.

When he's not playing a pickup game of basketball, volleying a tennis ball with a friend or swinging a club on the golf course, he's interviewing coaches and players for a news story.

When he's not writing or playing, he's a spectator from the television screen to the sideline, from professional matches down to his nephew's hometown team.

"I . . . never was that great at sports, but I love to watch and play them anyway," said Hicks, a University of Texas at Tyler graduate who has spent the past 10 years of his journalism career as the sports editor for the Tyler Morning Telegraph.

Growing up in Tyler, Hicks played basketball and tennis in high school, but soon learned what he may have lacked in natural athletic ability he made up for with a talent to write about sports.

As a UT journalism student he honed his writing skills and eventually wrangled an internship with the Tyler newspaper — a position the grew into a full-time job after graduation in 1983.

Now day in and day out he covering sports of all kinds and levels from little league to the Final Four and the Super Bowl. On his days off

he travels to Dallas to watch the Cowboys, Stars or Rangers.

"I believe the only sport I probably never have seen in person is lacrosse," he said.

Throughout the years, Hicks also has interviewed many sports legends, interviews that left an impression of the "magic" of their personalities.

"Mary Lou Retton was a very sincere and a down-to-earth girl. She was personable and similar to how she was in the spotlight," he recalled.

Tom Landry, another favorite, was "mellow" and always captured an audience when he spoke, Hicks said.

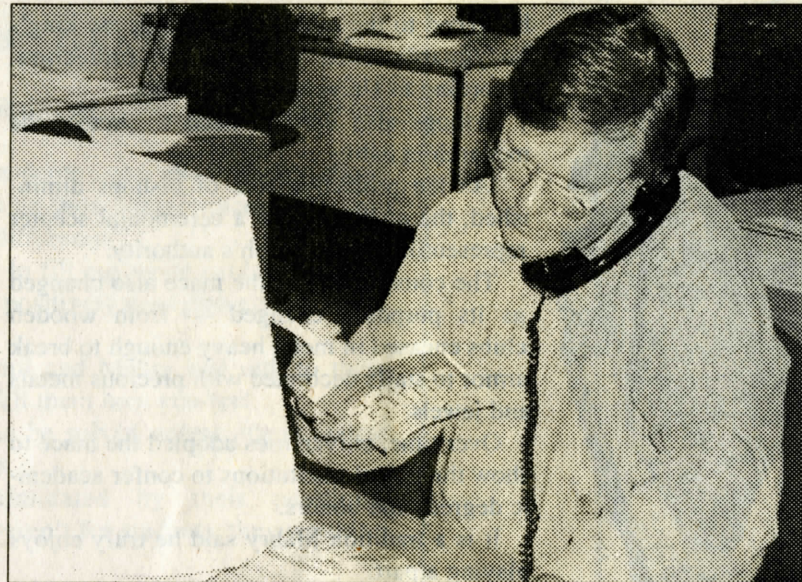
"Tom Landry helped change the face of Dallas. He helped create the entire image of the city with the Cowboys in the shadow of the JFK assassination," he said.

Hicks also enjoys great sport stories that inspire and show the determination of the human spirit.

"My favorite movie is 'The Natural.' I love stories that show how a person can inspire others and help grow as an individual. Those kinds of stories inspire me and others," he said.

Throughout his career, Hicks said he has seen many East Texas athletes fight the odds and achieve greatness despite personal difficulties.

He recalled one football player who suffered a severe knee injury. That athlete, he said, fought the odds



Jeff Sprick

Tyler Morning Telegraph Sports Editor Phil Hicks calls up area high schools checking on recent sports scores for an assignment.

and is now playing in the Canadian Football League.

On the local sports scene, Hicks recalls covering the now defunct UT Patriots tennis team and the Eisenhower golf tournament. He covered the latter event for 13 years and will continue providing coverage under its new name, the Patriot Golf Classic.

"I've really enjoyed seeing the Eisenhower grow and change. It has been a major attraction for Tyler and East Texas," he said.

Big name players like Payne Stewart and Greg Norman have played the Tyler event in the past. Now, it seems like the administrators are focusing on one big name rather than several, Hicks said.

This year's event features Hal Sutton and Don January.

Hicks said the future of the Patriot Golf Classic looks promising and he believes it will help University students.

He also hopes that someday sports teams will return to the UT campus.

Regents name Burck as interim chancellor

by Aaron Roberts
Patriot Writer

The board of regents appointed R.D. "Dan" Burck as Interim Chancellor for Business Affairs for the University of Texas System. Burck's new position will begin on June 1.

"Dan has the full confidence of the board," Donald Evans, board of regents chairman, said.

Burck is the executive vice chancellor. He has been with the university's system for 12 years.

The Board of Regents made the appointment after deciding that they would not be ready in the next few weeks to name a permanent successor to Chancellor William H. Cunningham.

Cunningham announced his retirement in June of '99. May 31 is his last scheduled day with UT system, according to a press release.

After he leaves, Cunningham says he is "interested in pursuing options in private business...particularly in the field of electronic commerce."

According to a press release

from Rodney Mabry, University of Texas at Tyler president, the board was unable to choose a permanent chancellor due to the governor's run for the presidency.

"Dan Burck is an outstanding choice for Interim Chancellor," Mabry said.

Burck had several "lengthy discussions" with board members about being Interim Chancellor. The appointment was not a surprise, but "it was certainly a great honor," Burck said.

"The duties of the chancellor can almost be looked at as the Chief Executive Officer of the University system," Burck said.

The chancellor's job is to develop strategic plans, goals and objectives. He must also enhance the Universities funding and support the 15 institutional components.

He has not heard when the board will be prepared to name a permanent chancellor.

Burck has not yet been asked to fill the permanent position of chancellor, but he would "certainly have to consider it" if he was asked, he said.

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children and possibly publish a recipe book. She also wants to conduct "grandmother's camp" for the children in her life.

The relationships with students and faculty is what Wheat said she will miss the most about working for the school.

But her fondest memories are graduations, where she says she is actually able to see the students that she has worked with cross the stage.

"Students we have all gone

the UT Board of Regents meeting.

Nearly 1,000 people attended "Springfest '85."

10 YEARS AGO:

Earth Day is celebrated on campus.

Tom Wolfe was the final speaker in the Distinguished Lecture Series.

5 YEARS AGO:

Library cuts journal subscriptions for the fourth time in six years.

English Club invites traveling groups to perform at the University Center.



CAMPUS REWIND

24 YEARS AGO:

Alpha Chi Honor Society is installed on Texas Eastern University campus.

The student newspaper's name is changed from the *Tyler Statesman* to *The Patriot*.

Commencement was held at Harvey Hall.

20 YEARS AGO:

The New Shakespeare Company of San Francisco presented "Romeo and Juliet."

15 YEARS AGO:

Patriot Golf Classic takes shape; event focuses on scholarship fund

by Wendy L. Moore
Editor in Chief

East Texas students will benefit from profits gained from the Patriot Golf Classic in May.

Dick Goetz, tournament director and professional golfer, said the tournament, formerly known as the Eisenhower Golf Classic, will hopefully raise \$100,000 in scholarship money.

"We've decided to keep the money in East Texas," he said.

This year several revisions will be made to the tournament in addi-

this tournament has been to get one or two members of the 1999 Rider Cup team, so we are very pleased," Goetz said.

Sutton lead the American team in scoring and his win against Europe's Darren Clarke gave the U.S. team an early boost for the 14-13 victory last year.

Rider has 10 professional victories and he joined the PGA Tour in 1981.

He won seven events in his first five years on the tour. He was also a member of the American Ryder Cup

University of Texas football legend Darrell Royal will participate in the tournament as well.

He became the head coach of the Texas Longhorns in 1956 and his team carried the best record in the nation while he was in charge. He was head coach for more than 20 years and his coaching record during the 1960s earned him the honor of Coach of the Decade by ABC-TV.

The 2000 UT Tyler Patriot Golf Classic will be held on Monday, May 15. It will have an 11 a.m.

Former dean Mayfield dies

Services for Dr. W. A. Mayfield, professor emeritus of technology, will be held Saturday at Memorial Funeral Home and Cemetery Mausoleum.

The funeral home and mausoleum is located at 12053 State Highway 64 west.

Dr. Mayfield died Wednesday. Family visitation will be Friday

evening.

Mayfield received his bachelor's, master's and doctorate degrees from Texas A&M University.

He was the former dean of the School of Applied Studies at the University of Texas at Tyler. He also served as a faculty member until his retirement in 1989.

though a lot with, from just classes, to work, to divorces and child rearing. [I've] seen a lot with them, and they are all very special to me," Wheat said.

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tion to the name change. These include reducing the field of contenders and adding new sponsors. This tournament will involve 24 professional golf teams instead of the usual 30-35 in the past.

Several golfers from the Professional Golf Association will compete in the tournament.

Ronnie Black will make his eighth appearance in the classic. He is ranked 131 on the 1999 money list, he won the 1983 Southern Open and the Anheuser-Busch Golf Classic in 1984.

Brian Henninger will make his third appearance in the tournament this year.

"It's great to have Brian Henninger play in the tournament again," Goetz said.

Henninger earned his second career PGA Tour victory last year at the Southern Farm Bureau Classic with a three-stroke victory over Chris DiMarco. He finished 55 on the money list for 1999.

Hal Sutton is the first headliner to commit to play in the 2000 golf classic. He is a member of the Ryder Cup team.

"We are extremely fortunate to have Hal Sutton in the Patriot Classic. One of our objectives for

teams in 1985 and 1987 and he was named Player of the Year by the PGA of America and the Golf Writers Association on 1983.

This will be his ninth appearance in the Patriot Golf Classic.

PGA tour stars Scott Simpson, Ted Tryba, Keith Fergus and Steve Goetsche have also committed to participate in the golf classic.

Simpson won the 1987 U.S. Open Championship in San Francisco. He has seven PGA tour victories and is a member of the 1987 Ryder Cup team.

Tryba is an eight-year PGA Tour veteran who won the Federal Express St. Jude Classic and finished in the top 10 of the money list last year.

Fergus has several wins on the PGA Tour which include the Memorial Tournament, Georgia-Pacific Atlanta Golf Classic and the Bob Hope Desert Classic.

Goetsche won the 1999 NIKE Monterey Open and the NIKE Upstate Classic. His \$49,500 sin over Kelly Gibson at the Monterey Open ranked him second on the money list.

Other PGA members include Don January, Mardi Lunn, Helen Dobson and Pat Bradley.

shotgun start. Sponsors of the event include Cox Communications, General Motors Corporation, Skeeter Products, Inc. and ALLTEL.

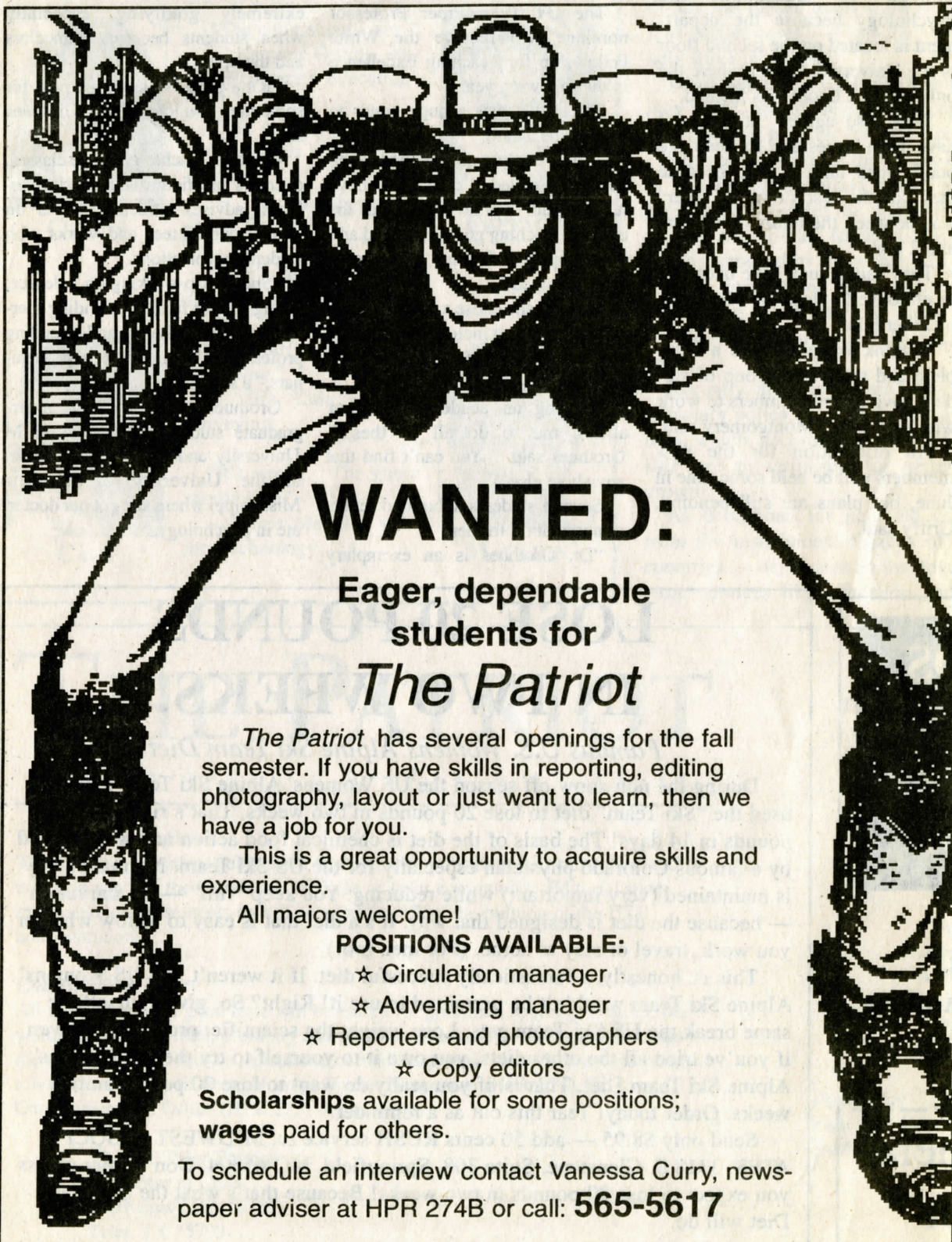
Several other tournament events will take place during the week. The Patriot Classic Million Dollar Hole-in-One qualifying rounds will be May 6-13 and the finals will be May 14 at Willow Brook Country Club.

The competition is open to anyone 18 and older and it costs \$1 per shot. The finals will be televised on KLTU and the winner, if he makes a hole in one, will be awarded \$1 million.

A youth putting contest will be held on the same dates at the Broadway Square Mall and the finals will also be May 14 at Willow Brook.

A Texas Shootout Barbecue will be held that week and the tournament will also feature a fishing tournament, sponsored by Skeeter Boats, Inc., for the por golfers on an area lake.

For more information about the tournament students may call the tournament office at (903) 566-9215.



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