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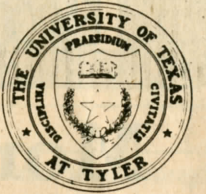
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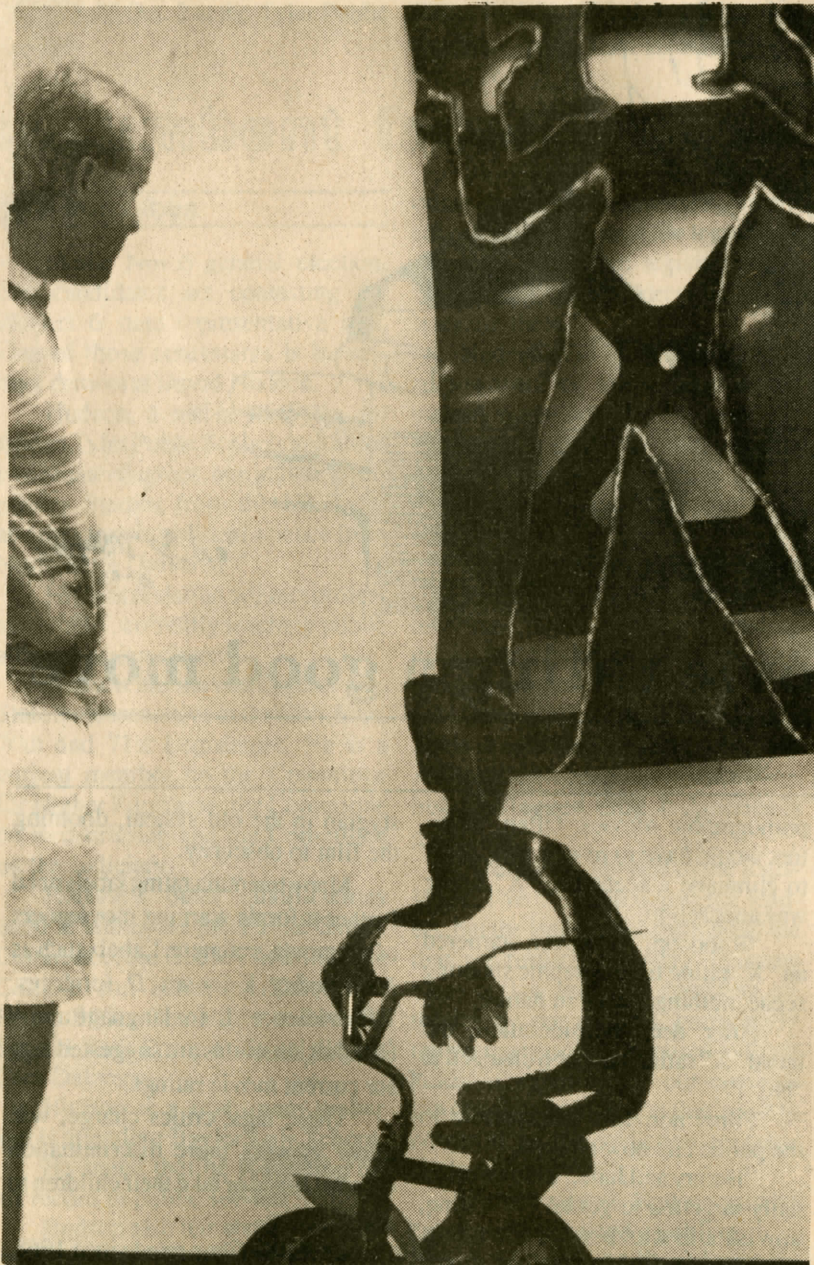
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Alumnus Bill Rash ponders metal sculpture "Little Red Riding Hood" by Jeff Hull now on display in UC 111. (Photo by D. Ambren Taylor)

Juried art exhibit in UC

By Rachel Biscomb

Ragsdale while viewing a painting by

Pre-Halloween dance on Oct. 19

By Mindy Webb

Dust off your favorite Halloween costume, The Student Association and Student Life Committee is looking for ghost and goblins to crash their Pre-Halloween Dance on Friday, Oct. 19.

Spend an evening in the University Center from eight till midnight with all the other cool ghouls. Admission to the dance and refreshments are free.

Dave Goldman, local DJ, will provide live music to dance by. Cash prizes of \$25 will be awarded to the

best costume in each category. The costume categories are most original, best couple, scariest and funniest.

Judges for the costume contest will be three faculty members.

"I want to encourage everyone to come, it will be a lot of fun," said Kristi Gorham, Student Association

vice president. "We've had suggestions for off-campus activities, and turnout at this dance is crucial to justify these future expenses."

Anyone who would like to help with decorations for the dance is welcome to help between 3-7 p.m. on the day of the dance.

Huber named as interim secretary

Student Association sponsors alcohol awareness, adopt-a-journal, campus leadership conference

By Michael Prewitt
Managing Editor

The Student Association is sponsoring National Alcohol Awareness week, by providing designated driver cards. The cards, honored by local clubs including, Bennigan's, J.W. Finn's, Hoffbrau Steaks and the Westend, will provide free soft drinks to holders of the cards, provided they are with two or more friends.

"There is no cut-off date when these cards are no longer honored," said Mondy Raibon, SA advisor. "The cards will be available to students and faculty, free of charge, beginning Oct. 17."

"The various restaurants were eager to participate in our program," said Raibon. "They like the idea of promoting safe drinking."

The SA is also assisting with the Robert R. Muntz Library's Adopt-A-Journal program. The Adopt-A-Journal program is designed to get sponsors to buy a subscription to a magazine or professional journal and donating it to the library.

During the Oct. 10 meeting, the resignation of secretary, Richard

Huber, was accepted by the Student Association and rules on conflicts when petitioned by any SA member.

The Judicial Board also acts on other matters as directed by the president of the university.

There are two person previously named to the board who must be confirmed as active member before the number of new appointments will be known.

According to the SA constitution, the Judicial Board shall be composed of five full-time students who do not sit on the Student Association, or hold any other elected or appointed student office on campus. Of the five members, there shall be at least one undergraduate and one graduate member, the remaining members to be selected from either group.

Members serve for the duration of their academic degree plans and are terminated if the member is not enrolled as a full-time student during a fall or spring semester.

Members of the Student Judicial Board are selected by the Executive Committee and approved by a simple majority of the Student Association.

Mondy Raibon announced a

like to eventually open this conference to junior college and even high school leaders."

The main speaker scheduled for the conference is Logan Hampton, a counselor for Texas Christian University.

Topics slated for workshops include: ethics, conflict resolution, the art of being fully human, building organizations, wellness and being a leader in changing times.

The conference may also include a luncheon with UTT President, George Hamm.

The SA unanimously allocated \$400 for the proposed conference. Raibon said Student Services would provide the funding for the remainder of the conference.

Also discussed during the meeting was the cancellation of the gas-reimbursement for travel in student organizations. At the previous meeting reimbursement was cancelled for all organizations.

Christie Clark stated that those organizations should be able to provide for that expense without SA funding. Tony Hairford, SA treasurer, agreed, saying, "If they can raise

the SA would be more than willing to assist with additional fund-raisers, but that she was totally against reinstating the funding.

Discussion of the matter was tabled until input could be gathered from other student organizations on their dependency on the funding.

Kristi Gorham updated members on the Oct. 19 Pre-Halloween dance and asked that \$100 be allocated for prizes in the costume contest. Twenty-five dollars will be awarded to the winner of each category: best couple, most original, scariest and funniest. The funding was unanimously granted.

Gorham also reported on proposed acts for the spring and fall '91 entertainment schedule. She gave information on the groups and recommended that all members acquaint themselves with the groups, so they could accurately access the group for which they would vote.

The plans for a sand volleyball court were also discussed.

SA member Charles, submitted a proposal outlining the cost for building the court.

Variations to the original plans

Several UT Tyler art students are having their work displayed in the UC art gallery. The display is part of the Annual Juried Student Art Exhibition which runs through Oct. 31.

Jim Pace, associate professor of art at UTT, is the man responsible for putting the show together.

The exhibit is a voluntary project and all art students were asked to participate.

The artwork was submitted for the exhibition and was juried by faculty members. The faculty members selected which works would be in the exhibit.

Karen Roberson, assistant professor of art, said, "We wish we could have more on display, but there's limited gallery space."

Paintings and sculptures created with material from concrete to Lucite to steel accent the exhibit.

Representations of whimsy, gloom, serenity and joy are displayed in the gallery's art.

Leigh Ragsdale, a UTT student touring the gallery's exhibit, said some exciting and strong pieces are being displayed.

"I loved the bright colors and the frame. I found the picture itself very weird and almost scary," said

David Woodruff called "Borderline."

Another piece on exhibit is a sculpture by Jeffery Hull. "Little Red Riding Hood" is almost what its name implies.

It's part of a series of works that includes "Priesthood," "Childhood," and "Hood Ornament."

"Little Red Riding Hood" depicts a child, cut from a red automobile's hood, riding a tricycle.

"Hull is interested in puns," said Roberson. This was considered his strongest piece.

Roberson added, "We hope the students and faculty will come by to see the exhibit. We do appreciate the comments we get."

Dante wrote in *The Inferno*, "Art, as far as it is able, follows nature, as a pupil imitates his master; thus your art must be, as it were, God's grandchild."

Students with artwork on display are: Elizabeth Womack, Gina Sparks, Melissa Caldwell, Mary Mayfield, David Warren, Brenda Kelly, Kelly Laminack and Kitty dePamphilis.

Also, Nena Morris, Kerri Godwin, Jeffery Hull, Ann Albright, John W. Powell, Virginia Lipp, David Woodford, Carroll Sinclair, Mandy Ripley, Donna Good, Joanne Simmer, Kenda Allen and Carol Beck.

Student Life Committee plans for spring agenda

Student Life Star Search '91 was the main topic of last Wednesday's Student Life Committee meeting.

Four UT Tyler representatives recently traveled to Austin in search of talent for next spring's entertainment calendar.

Schools from Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma and New Mexico gathered to attend the South-Central Regional National Association of Campus Activities (NACA).

Kristi Gorham, one of the UTT representatives, said that NACA provides a convenient and safe way for schools to obtain the services of many kinds of performers and entertainers.

Representatives watch the performers in showcases. After seeing the performer's act, the representatives may begin negotiations for the acts they feel are best for their school.

Negotiations can range from signing a strong-interest form, allowing

the school to join in blocks with other local schools to book the performers, to signing a full, binding contract for a set performance.

For the protection of both the school and the performer, each must sign a contract.

At the NACA conference, the schools saw a wide range of performances ranging from comedians to lecturers.

The UTT representatives Gorham, Mondy Raibon, Debra O'Banion and Kaywin Kidd, recommended a few of the performances that they thought were best to the Student Life Committee and the Student Association: Fifth Avenue, David DeLong, Elan Gold and Greenpeace.

Fifth Avenue is a musical group made up of five male singers who use only percussion instruments.

David DeLong is a musician in

Currie, was announced. Currie's resignation was effective, Oct. 8.

Melissa Huber was named as interim secretary until the next general elections or within ninety days (at which time a special election would be held), whichever comes first. Also discussed during the meeting was the naming students to the Student Judicial Board.

The Student Judicial Board interprets the constitution of the Stu-

proposed leadership conference to be co-hosted by the Student Association and Student Services. The conference, tentatively scheduled for Nov. 16 would be for leaders of student organizations on the UTT campus.

"As this would be the first time for such a conference, it was decided to keep the conference small as a trial to see how things go, and to make improvements before offering it to a larger body," said Raibon. "I would

the money for a trip, they should be able to raise a small percentage more for gas.

The SA just can't afford to pay for every organizations' gas bill."

Several SA members suggested that funding be reinstated, but providing only a percentage of the total gas expense, then gradually cut back on the funding.

Reminding members that funding was already cut, Clark stated that

included the addition of a drainage system and concrete curbs to the proposal.

Members generally agreed that if the court is built, it should be done right the first time and not redone later when something goes wrong.

Additional ideas about the court were proposed and it was decided to seek additional bids for the job.

The next SA meeting is scheduled for Oct. 21, at 8:45 p.m.

UT Tyler Student prepares to be called to active duty

By Mindy Webb

Many students had their fall-term plans cast into doubt when military reservists were called to duty Aug. 22.

President George Bush announced that he would use military reservists to support and replace troops sent to the Middle East.

Many units have already been called up, and when the call comes reservists are required to leave families, schools and jobs to fulfill military orders.

UT Tyler sociology major David Richards is a master sergeant in the Air Force Reserves. One call could disrupt his life.

His bags are packed and ready to

go, but Richards is in no hurry to leave.

"I don't even want to think about leaving my family, but a part of being in the reserves is being willing to go if called," Richards said.

Such a departure would affect his family, finances and scholastic career, so the Richards family is preparing for the interruption that may lie ahead.

First, the family accepts the possibility of his departure; although, his two children don't want dad to leave.

Financially, the Richards are giving careful attention to their bills. They pay on current debts months in advance and try not to create new ones. If called to duty, Richards will receive extra duty pay to help ease the financial strain caused by his absence.

Finally, the Richards family is doing all it can to stop the possibility of a future call-up affecting their present lives.

Though the call for reservists came before the semester began, Richards concentrated on his schoolwork.

"Until I'm called to duty, I'm continuing with classes, going on with my life as is. When they call, I'll go," Richards said. "I can't sit back and worry about it. I have to go on with my life as normally as possible."

Richards continues as a full-time student pursuing a bachelor's degree in sociology, scheduled to graduate in the fall of 1992.

The call-up and possibility of local reservists departing for active duty has affected campus life also.

MSU begins spring plans early

The Minority Student Union (MSU) held its first meeting of the semester last Friday, Oct. 5.

Discussion at the meeting surrounded club organization and planning for future activities, including Martin Luther King's birthday, black history month and Cinco De Mayo.

Emphasis was placed on the need for membership drives and promoting more student involvement.

MSU advisor Mondy Raibon said, "I don't see enough Hispanics or Asians involved, but especially African American students, since they're the largest minority group on campus. We need people for activities to happen."

MSU advisor Harlee Wright said he thought it important for students to know that the organization isn't directed at one specific group, but is for all ethnic groups.

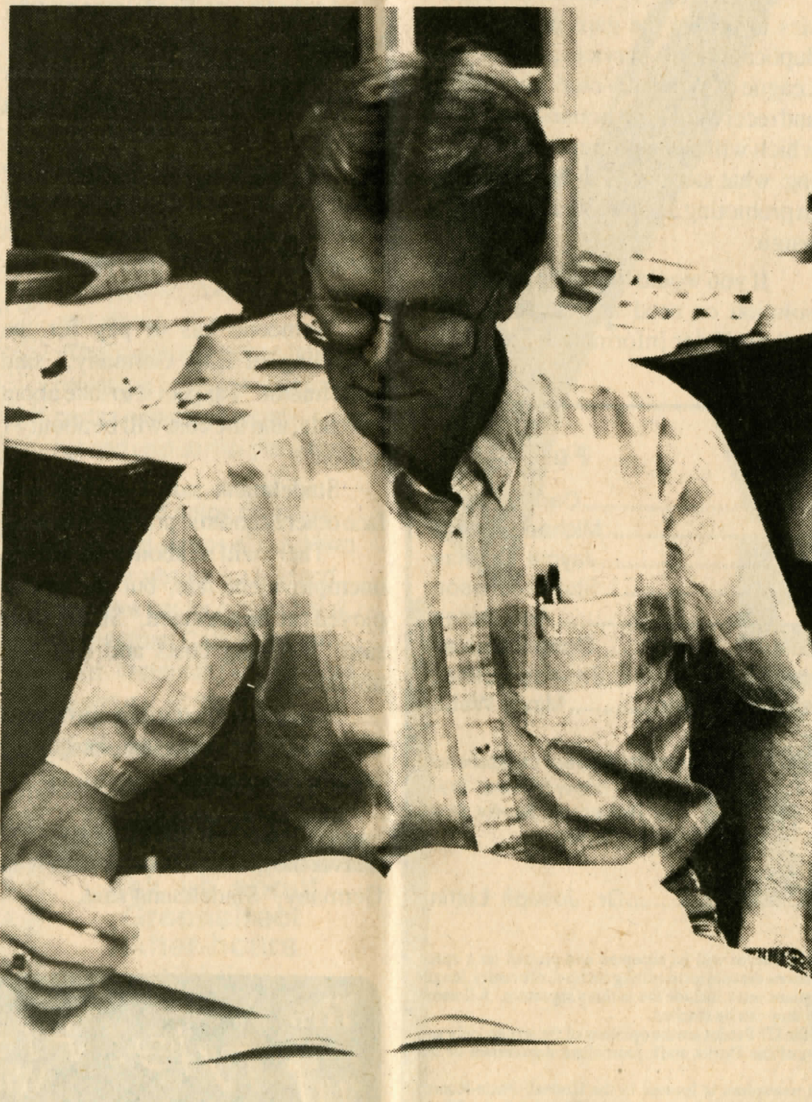
Wright said, "The events that we're planning will not only be good for minority students, but good for the university too. We want to include all ethnic origins, or anyone that feels like they are a minority."

The MSU plans to attend the Minority Leadership Conference at The University of Texas at Dallas, on Oct. 19. The conference is for college students, faculty and staff.

Community and civic leaders, professionals and topic specialists will conduct workshops with specific goals designed to encourage college students.

Students interested in becoming a MSU member should contact the Office of Student Services (UC 111, ext. 7079) for more information.

The next MSU meeting is scheduled for Thursday, Oct. 18, at 7 p.m. in UC 134.



Reservist David Richards, UT sociology major, says he doesn't worry about getting called to duty. (Photo by Mindy Webb)

Editorial

By Carl Millegan
Patriot editor

More budget war wounds

Another year, another bad budget mess.

Again, our congressmen, fearing a stigma of higher taxes might be attached to them in November, stumbled into a morass of last-minute budgeteering.

This current crisis is a part of the continuing problem of cowardice rampant in our national legislators.

The compromise budget developed by President Bush and top congressional leaders had nothing wrong with it, yet our Congress feared its repercussions.

The budget summit Bush put together came out with a textbook compromise, but it was a compromise neither liberal Democrats nor conservative Republicans could stomach.

With typical Congressional election-year nervousness, the question of "How will it affect my re-election?" outweighed "Is it good for the country?" again.

The budget package that Congressional leaders hammered out with President Bush was killed the day after it was submitted. Congress, their ears still ringing from allegedly negative phone calls, decided that the negotiated budget would be too costly come November.

Democratic incumbents, fearing being labeled tax-and-spend liberals, hung up on the negotiated budget.

Republican incumbents, fearing being labeled dishonest or stupid about tax futures, disconnected themselves from their leadership, leaving Bush to suffer his chapped lips alone.

As the fight continued, Bush retaliated by killing the first continuing resolution designed to keep government services running.

Bush wanted to pressure Congress to find a budget they could live with quickly, but he probably had no idea how effective that move would be.

Without monuments and museums to attend during the Columbus Day weekend, tourists flocked into the House and Senate galleries, booing and hissing loud enough to be heard on C-SPAN and disrupt floor activities.

A more palatable continuing resolution was quickly passed and signed in time to prevent a total shutdown of the government, but the compromise budget was dead.

The democratically-controlled Congress secreted the budget into committee and subcommittee back rooms.

The Republicans, who had fought so hard and long to defeat their tax-and-spend rivals, managed to give almost total control of the budget to the Democrats. Republicans also managed to give themselves some plausible deniability for any new

taxes, but their right of denial comes with the stain of cowardice now attached to all of Congress.

The sick part of all this bickering, back-stabbing and infighting has resulted in a budget not substantially different from the one Bush and the summiteers originally proposed.

Sixteen days of past-due budget making for little or nothing.

The original budget called for \$60 billion in Medicare cuts, the new one requests \$42 billion. The old budget reduced income tax deductions in the top tax bracket by 3 percent, the new plan, no specifics. The old budget had a specific list of taxes on gas, oil, cigarettes, alcohol and luxury items; the new budget leaves new taxes open for congressional committee's to decide. The summiteers' budget made a variety of cuts in military spending, the Congressional budget, specifics to be worked out in committee.

From all this, the only thing that has really changed has been the increase in the public distrust and disdain for their Congress.

This election may set a record for incumbent losses throughout the nation. That is if it doesn't set a record for lowest voter turnout.

We'll either be so mad we'll vote 'em all out, or so disgusted we'll not show up.

I'm mad.

Voter survey outlines issues

By Karen Gibbs

With the November 6 elections nearing, political hopefuls have been campaigning tirelessly among their constituents.

All claim to have spent many hours talking and listening to people of their district(s), with promises to represent them to the best of their ability and to address the problems that concern citizens.

grams and job training programs.

Insufficient benefits, frequent documentation of eligibility and registration inconvenience attribute to the poor nutrition and lack of food among Smith County residents.

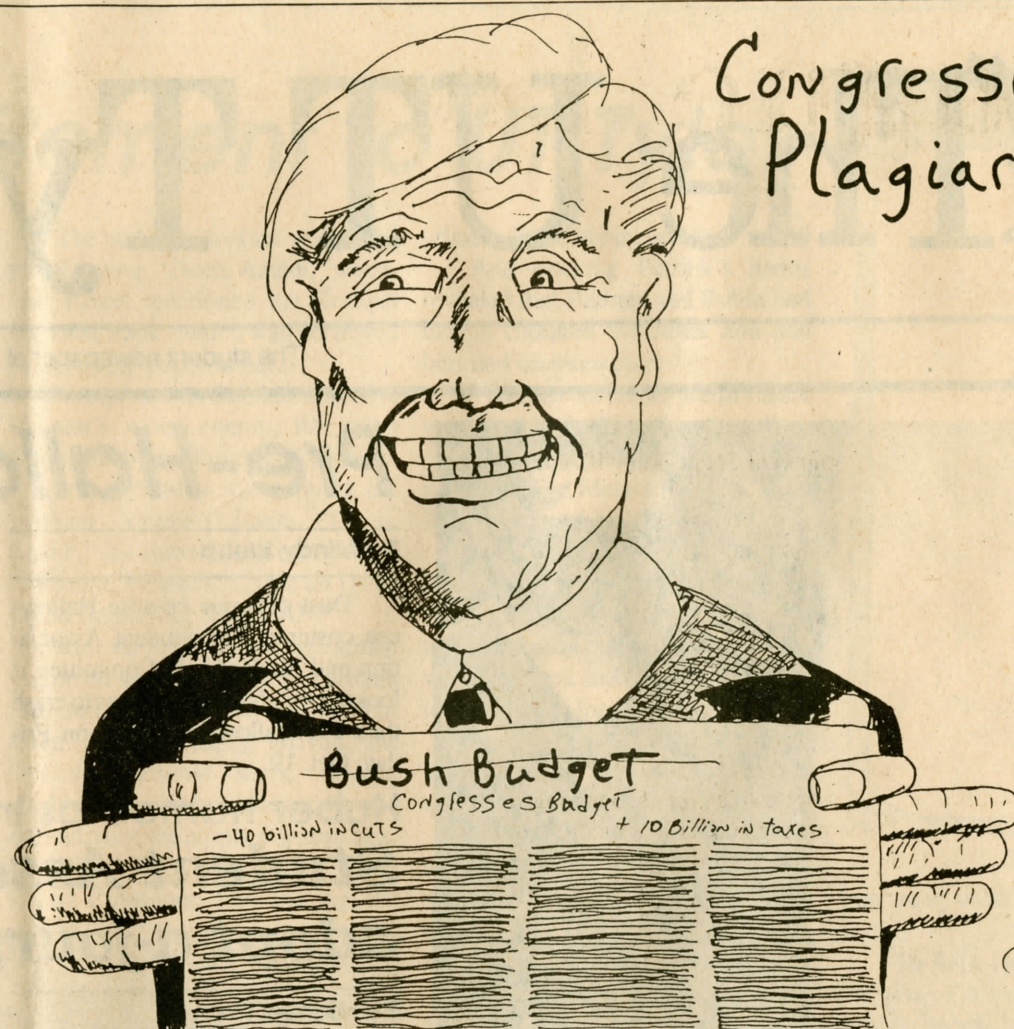
The LWV offers these suggestions to improve food availability.

In addition to an area wide food bank, more attention to the special

quate, if any, health care. The high cost of medical care coupled with lack of public funds and an insufficient number of community facilities (free clinics) are but a few of the obstacles the system must overcome.

One solution would be government-sponsored insurance programs to address the most vital health problems.

Congressional
Plagiarism



Carl Millegan
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'X'-ing old movie rating a good move

By Jere Hunter
Contributing Writer

After many successive attempts by directors, such as Spike Lee, the "X" rating has been removed from the Motion Picture Association of America (MPAA) rating system.

The new rating that replaces the "X" is "NC-17" and means no children under 17 admitted.

However, the "X" rating will probably continue to be used by pornographers.

Directors and producers in Hollywood have been opting for this change because submitting a movie to the MPAA for a rating is completely voluntary.

Directors also feel a sense of restriction that accompanies each submission.

An "X" rating was avoided like the plague and was considered suicide at the box office, because the rating was so closely connected with

pornographic movies. Often, directors would have to re-edit their films to eliminate a scene the "X" rating was attached to.

"Robocop," however, garnered an "X" rating for its graphic shooting scene, nothing sexual in nature.

After deep consideration, the lethal "X" rating has been changed to "NC-17."

Films normally inaccessible to the public can now be seen.

"Herry and June," a movie originally targeted to get an "X" rating, now is the first to sport the new rating.

The movie has received mixed reviews for its unique blend of storytelling and cinematography, and most people viewing the film left the theatre wondering why the MPAA was threatening to slap it with an "X" rating.

The "X" rating was considered

stygian in the old system, dooming the film to obscurity.

Many maintain rating labels need further reforms warning moviegoers of the movie's content. Labels such as N for nudity, S for sex, D for drugs, V for violence, L for language and A for adult situations are suggested tags for current movie ratings.

These tags, critics charge, will allow viewers more discrimination on what to see or take their children to see.

Of 9,282 films rated since 1968, nearly half have been rated R; a third have been rated PG and less than 1,000 rated for general audiences.

On the other side, the cry will continue to go up for creative freedom over censorship so long as any rating system exists.

German reunification seen as

But what are the main concerns of the citizens of the state of Texas, in particular, the citizens of Smith County?

The Tyler League of Women Voters began a two-year study in 1987 to analyze what conditions were necessary to provide basic human needs.

What follows is a result of their findings and an instrumental tool for future lawmakers to use in policymaking for the 1990's.

An extensive interview process was taken among a representative sampling of area care givers, public administrators and public officials. Four areas were concentrated on: income, food, shelter and health care.

In the area of income, the problem of income inadequacy or dependency rests on poor economic conditions, lack of job skills, single mothers, inadequate retirement income for people over 65, lack of affordable child care and teenage pregnancy.

People in need of income assistance may not apply because they are embarrassed, don't like the hassles, don't know where to go or are discouraged by overburdened caseworkers.

Some suggestions for alleviating this situation would be to establish a clearinghouse for service agencies to cover gaps and avoid duplication, increase services for the elderly and disabled, mandate educational pro-

cesses for the elderly and disabled must be looked at.

Also, establishing a clearinghouse for better communications between agencies and reducing excessive paperwork would aid in a more efficient food program.

**Deadline
for
returning
absentee
ballots
Oct. 17**

Low-income housing or adequate housing is a problem that plagues all communities.

Not only are the needs not being met, but access to safe and sanitary living conditions present problems on its own.

Improving the quality of housing could be met with regular inspections (policed by fines), relaxing of zoning restrictions, educating residents on maintenance and rental of available HUD properties by service agencies.

It's no earth-shattering revelation that an extreme and dangerous crisis exists within the nation's health care system.

Many citizens receive inade-

quate assistance for catastrophic illness, at-home care for the chronically ill, treatment for drug and alcohol abuse as well as mental illness, dental care and persons not covered by employer-sponsored insurance plans would be a welcomed plan of action.

Recruiting doctors and dentists willing to donate time and talent, health networking, promoting increased publicity on programs now available, and improved transportation for the rural needy could be one of the most humane and challenging undertakings an elected official could pursue.

Lack of low-cost transportation was given as a major obstacle for receiving an adequate income, enough food and basic health care by many respondents polled.

Poor education and escalating day-care costs offer an additional challenge in solving the solution.

In an effort to coordinate agencies to bridge the gaps and prevent duplication of services, the Tyler League of Women Voters applied for and received a Ford Foundation grant which will be instrumental in analyzing what steps need to be taken, and in promoting a public awareness campaign.

If you would like to be part of the solution or need assistance, please call the Tyler Information Exchange at 595-HELP.

German reunification seen as blessing by visiting professor

By Brent Niemeier

On Wednesday, Oct. 3, 1990, a major historical event unfolded.

At midnight on that date, East and West Germany signed an agreement of reunification.

Separated since the end of World War II, the two Germanies instantly became one again.

For visiting professor Dr. Marcus Stadelmann, of UT Tyler's political science department, this landmark historical event has special significance.

Germany is Stadelmann's homeland.

"As a German, it is good to see my country united again," Stadelmann said. "It will provide for another economic miracle."

According to Stadelmann, who holds his doctorate in political science, the fall of the Berlin Wall was the first real sign that Germany might reunite.

"The people will experience a lower standard of living, and I expect a tax increase," said Stadelmann in reference to the new German economy.

"Someone has to pay for the rebuilding of East Germany," said Stadelmann. "I expect it to take about a decade, and the cost will be about \$1 trillion."

Stadelmann said Germans will face other economic problems as well.

"There will be about a 50 percent unemployment rate, but the unemployed can be retrained," Stadelmann said. "Housing costs and rent will also increase."

Ironically, economic problems seem to be the major emphasis for a reunified Germany.

"The East German Regime can't deliver the goods as compared to West Germany," Stadelmann said.

Social problems will increase as the economic pressures begin to be felt, according to Stadelmann. Two completely different cultures are being pushed together.

Stadelmann estimates that an entire generation may be needed before the East Germans can close the cultural gap with the West.

The cultural gap began with the German split resulting from an allied victory over the German army in 1945.

West Germany was divided among the United States, France and England. East Germany became occupied by the Soviet Union.

These four super powers also divided Berlin into east and west sectors.

The United States, England and France controlled West Berlin. The Soviets likewise, took control of East Berlin.

The split naturally led to East and West Germany adopting separate forms of government.

On May 23, 1949, West Germany became the Federal Republic of Germany.

On Oct. 7, 1949, East Germany became a democratic republic.

These two governments were to last the next 50 years.

After several East Berliners fled to the West, East Berlin built the infamous Berlin Wall.

The Wall became the symbol of the cold war era, as permanent as the Great Wall of China.

Then in November 1989, the unthinkable happened.

Citizens from both East and West Berlin tore the wall down.

Germany has given the rest of the world a strong message by reunifying, according to Stadelmann.

"It [German unification] has shown the world that the Soviet empire is crumbling," Dr. Stadelmann said. "This wouldn't have happened 10 years ago."

One fear Stadelmann linked to the new Germany, is the theory that Germany could again become a military superpower.

Stadelmann refuted that theory, however, stating that reunification has been a change for the better.

"IN HIS OWN WRITE"

By John Moore

- Where did the gnats come from in front of the entrance to the business building and why do they hover in a ball? It's like God said, "Ok, you guys...stay right here."
- Can you believe John Lennon will be dead 10 years in December?
- Don't you just love Fred Savage of "The Wonder Years?"
- How come pay phones don't take dollar bills?
- Try the "Snack 'ens" in the UT Tyler vending machines. They're great.
- At the end of spring, I can't wait for summer. At the end of summer, I can't wait for fall. I guess it's supposed to work that way.
- I bet most of us had a Mickey Mouse watch at some point in our lives.
- If people had the hearing of dogs, gossip would be rare.
- This "Buy American" thing is a darn good idea.

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The UT Tyler Press Club
Will meet on Oct. 22 at 2 p.m. to elect officers and discuss plans for a Halloween Party

League hosts candidate forum

By Karen Gibbs

Candidates for the District 6 State Representative race, incumbent Rep. David Hudson (D) and his opponent Ted Kamel (R), were given an opportunity to debate the issues in a public forum held Oct. 2 at the Tyler Public Library.

Also highlighted at this event were opponents for the District 5 position, Bob Glaze (D) and George Winn (R) and the 12th Court of Appeals, Chief Justice contenders Judge Melvin Whitaker (D) and incumbent Judge Tom B. Ramey, Jr.

(R).

A second debate is scheduled for Tuesday, Oct. 16 at 7:00 p.m. at the Tyler Public Library and will present six other candidates vying for various offices.

County Commissioner, Precinct

2 opponents, Jerry Shamburger (R) and Jack Gilley (D), will square off along with Pat Rogers (R) and Andrew Melontree (D) who are competing for County Commissioner, Pct. 4.

Incumbent County Clerk Mary

Morris (D) will debate Carolyn Adams (R) in the race for County Clerk.

The Tyler League of Women Voters is continuing to work to make the second debate as lively and informative as the first.

Their goals are to encourage active government participation on the part of the public as well as providing voters in the Nov. 6 election an opportunity to make informed choices when electing their next public officials.

Incumbent faces issues

By Karen Gibbs

In the Nov. 6 general election, two candidates are contesting the District 6 state representative seat. One of those contestants is incumbent democrat David Hudson.

Hudson, a native of Tyler, attended Tyler Public Schools and holds two Master degrees, one in Interdisciplinary Studies from the UT Tyler and the other in political science from North State University.

Hudson is also an adjunct professor at UTT, currently teaching public administration classes.

Hudson has served District 6 as State Representative in the 68th, 69th, 70th and 71st Legislature. He is a current member on the Committee for Higher Education, the Committee on Redistricting and the Committee on the Judiciary.

Hudson's other qualifications include sitting on the Public Safety Committee, the House Committee on Cultural and Historical Resources, House Ethics Committee and on the Special Task Force on Rural Health Care Delivery.

Hudson is a real estate broker and is attending Baylor Law School. He stated that he is running on his record in public service.

Hudson also has some very specific opinions on the current campaign issues facing the November voters.

Hudson opposes a state income tax.

"We have many things that make us (Texas) attractive and that new companies look for," Hudson said. "New companies look for good schools, an educated work-force and

crime have been addressed repeatedly. Every session of the legislature new and innovative legislation has been forwarded to address the problems out there."

Hudson said he was personally responsible for sponsoring a bill making purchase of readily available chemicals needed to manufacture drugs difficult.

The bill was passed and is in effect in Texas.

During his time in office, Hudson said he supported strict penalties for all crimes, not just making or dealing drugs, and he said he favors building more prisons.

Despite his work on drug issues, Hudson said "the biggest problem in America isn't cocaine; it's not alcohol. The biggest drug in America is gambling."

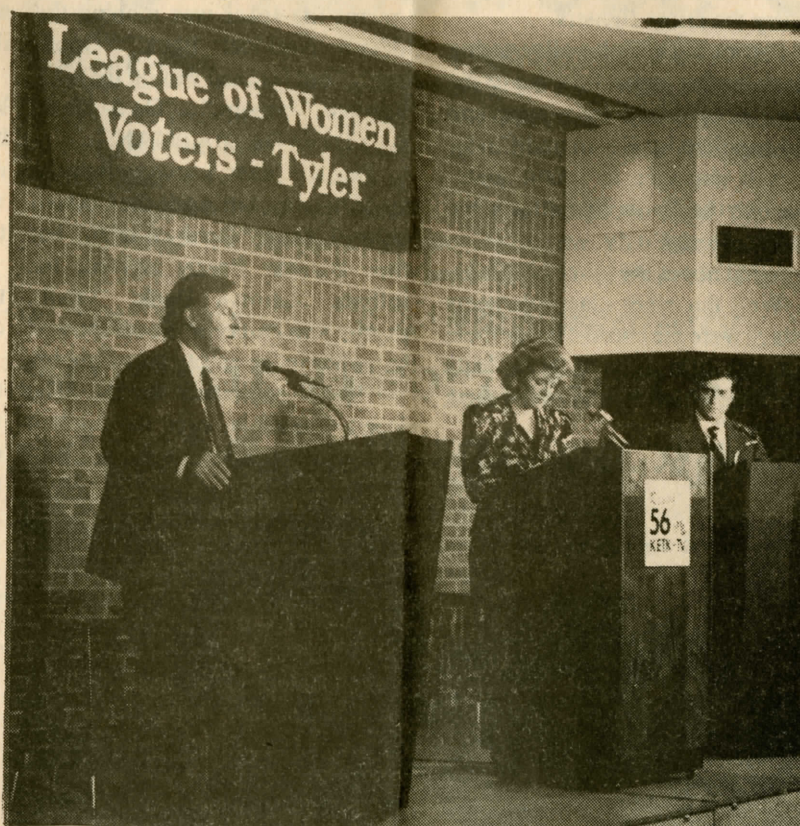
"During my service in the legislature, I've not been one of the leaders, but the leader in continuing to see that we restrict, limit and in some cases outlaw access to gambling activities by our citizens, particularly our young people. If exposed to those kinds of experiences, our children can develop an addiction that's just as powerful as the addiction to other kinds of drugs."

For this reason, Hudson said he opposes all legalized gambling.

"It's fundamentally and morally wrong and it encourages compulsive gambling," Hudson said.

Citing New Jersey as an example to his point, Hudson said, "(New Jersey) dedicates part of the lottery profits it takes in for the treatment of compulsive gamblers."

On other issues, Hudson opposes limits on terms of office for a public



Facing off: Adversaries for District 6 state representative seat confront each other during League of Women Voter's debate Oct. 6. Democrat David Hudson [left] argues the issues with Republican Ted Kamel [right] with Leslie Roberts of KETK-TV mediating [center]. (photo by Carl Millegan, Patriot editor).

said.

Hudson did say however that legislators shouldn't pursue a lifetime career in holding political offices.

"I'd prefer to see the election process changes," Hudson said. "For example, put a limit on the size of campaign contributions, limit campaign spending and abolish certain kinds of advertising."

Television advertising is one element Hudson would like to see abolished because he feels that TV

on positions, whereas TV has time only to focus on image."

In education, Hudson believes Texas should put as much money into public schools as possible and maintain as much equity between school districts possible without losing local control.

As for the future of the UTT, Hudson said, "...as a member of the Higher Education Committee, I have been in a crucial position to benefit this institution. I have been a graduate and have taught here. In 1984, I was

Kamel forwards policies

By Karen Gibbs

Opposing David Hudson for the position of District 6 Representative is Republican candidate Ted Kamel of Tyler.

Kamel began his political career as a Tyler City Councilman in 1984 and served as mayor pro-tem in 1986.

On the major campaign issues, Kamel opposes any legislative proposal to start a state-income tax. Instead, he said serious fiscal reforms on every level can save revenue for other areas.

"We need to look at areas where we can reduce waste but improve services," Kamel said. "That's what I've done in my business and what hundreds of people in this county have done in the last five years to stay open for business."

Businesses have had to lower their prices and improve their services or lose their customer base. We have had to cut waste in all areas without losing quality."

Kamel said business-style economizing can help Texas as well. He cites the 75 printing presses owned by the state of Texas and how a more constructive approach would be to bid printing jobs out to private industry.

Kamel said such a move would trim the cost of keeping the state-owned presses in operation.

In the fight against drugs and crime, Kamel said he supports specific steps such as increasing prison capacities by making use of unused military facilities to serve as prisons.

Kamel supports an elimination of parole on certain crimes and an institution of the death penalty for others, including "king-pin" drug

certain conditions.

"I might be agreeable to putting the proposal to a ballot vote, if my constituents wanted it and if the revenue was ear-marked in advance," Kamel said.

For example, if lottery funds were designated to meeting matching fund requirements for federal government Medicaid assistance.

On other issues, Kamel said he supports limits on the amount of time politicians can serve in office.

He said an entrenched office holder, who spends most his time out of his district, loses touch with the people he represents.

Kamel favors legislation limiting Texas legislators to four consecutive 2-year terms, state senators to two 4-year terms and other state office holders to two 4-year terms.

Kamel is leery about placing limits on the size of campaign contributions, saying "...you have to be careful because the U.S. Supreme Court has said, once you start placing limits to a certain degree, then you have to look at some sort of public financing, and I'm totally against that."

Kamel would rather see other types of campaign reforms, such as restricting contributions from Political Action Committees.

In education, Kamel said he would like to see more local control in the school districts. He also said teacher salaries should be based on something other than the career ladder method.

Kamel said he would like to see UT Tyler grow by developing other schools, such as a School of Engineering, by expanding the math de-

low taxes.
He added that while some states may have a lower tax base than Texas, they also have a state income tax.

On the issues of drugs and crime, Hudson said, "since I've been in the legislature, the problem of drugs and

office holders, an amendment which was recently passed in Oklahoma and is being considered in at least four other states.

"To tell a voter you cannot vote for someone, no matter how good a job he's doing is a mistake," Hudson

limits don't allow for constructive campaigning.

"There are very few TV campaigns where you get truth: the whole truth," Hudson said. "What you get is half-truths and distortions. In print media there is more time to elaborate

voted Outstanding Alumni by the UT Tyler Alumni Association."

Hudson said concerns about UTT funding and future growth for the East Texas ahead are issues he would work to have a positive impact on.

dealers.
Kamel also said he would support laws to stiffen parole requirements on all offenses, and mandatory drug testing as a requirement before parole is given and as a condition in maintaining parole.

Kamel said he opposes a state lottery because he sees lotteries as another form of taxation which could promote further state spending instead of cutting waste. Kamel did say he is open to the idea of a lottery under

partment and by giving more support to fine arts.

As far as his civic qualifications for the district 6 position, Kamel is currently serving in the Optimist Club of Tyler, as a board member of The Azleway Boys Ranch, the Treasurer of the Smith County Care Shelter, the board of the Smith County Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, and is founder and president of the East Texas Coalition for Recycling.

UT student says he's ready for potential U.S. call up

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When the announcement came campus administrators were forced to ponder what to do if a number of students and employees left at mid semester. The problem was that a complete record of reservists on campus did not exist.

"No one knows exactly how many reservists subject to active duty are college students," Sergeant Bobby Ward, reserve recruiter in Tyler, said. Classes could lose their instructors.

School finances could be disrupted.

Students missing from school during a state survey could have an

impact on state funding.

Students are not guaranteed of resuming classes after a return to civilian life.

"Although there is a law protecting jobs of employees called to duty, there is no law protecting students," Ward said.

UT Tyler has not been significantly affected by the situation even though a small percentage of students have been called to duty.

"There is not a significant number of students leaving to hurt state funding. It would only be a minimal effect," said Dr. Robert L. Jones, vice president for administration.

The admissions office is handling each case individually.

"We will accommodate the student in every way possible to be fair," Dr. Robert L. Jones said. "In past situations we returned tuition if called to duty before classes began."

"If a student is in midsemester and the instructor feels enough work has been completed, the student will receive a grade. If not the student will be given the opportunity to finish the requirements to receive credit," Jones added.

Only two reservists have withdrawn from UTT so far. In both cases tuition was refunded.

CORRECTIONS

On page one of the Oct. 2 issue of the UT Tyler Patriot, Krisiti Gorham and Melissa Huber had their names misspelled.

The headline of the Student Association story read, "Kristi Gorman named vice president", Gorman should have been Gorham.

In the second paragraph of the same story, Melissa Huber's name was misspelled as Hubert.

The last line of the same story was also removed.

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"Holy illusion Batman!" Spencers bring magic, excitement to UT Tyler

By Michael Prewitt
Managing Editor

The magical act of Kevin and Cindy Spencer dominated the University Center at UT Tyler last Friday night.

The Spencers used a total of 20 volunteers in their act which kept the crowd, both young and old totally captivated.

About 250-300 people attended the magic show. Of that number, about one third were children under the age of 13.

Several churches brought their youth groups to the performance.

"I was over-whelmed by the crowd," said Cindy Spencer. "We had a great response from everyone, especially the children."

The Spencers opened their act with Kevin attempting to make a roll of UT Tyler toilet paper disappear.

After never seeming to get the trick right, he resorted to sticking the paper in his mouth to hide it. But, when he pulled it out, it wasn't toilet paper, but a mass of twisted colored ribbon.

The Spencer's next act was a rope trick.

Kevin had two burly volunteers tightly bind his hands behind his back until his hands turned purple, and then tie the loose ends of the rope around his leg.

He then asked his volunteers to inflate the balloons he had given them.

After remembering that he had forgotten the balloons, he deftly reached into his pockets and handed them each a yellow balloon and reinserted his hands into the knots that were earlier cutting-off his circulation.

The trick was, Kevin was supposed to free himself from the ropes before the volunteers could blow up their balloons.

Just as the volunteers started blowing again, Kevin remembered that the balloons were the wrong color, it was supposed to be the blue ones, not the yellow ones. So, he quickly

explained of reality and illusion.

"This newspaper I'm holding is reality...The illusion is that I'm tearing this paper into tiny pieces," said Kevin.

Despite his narrative to the contrary, he certainly seemed to be tearing the paper. However, in the end it seemed reality endured, the paper returned whole.

"One of the funniest things that happened in another act at a college in Texas," said Kevin. "When I started the paper illusion, this guy in the audience stood up with his own paper and started doing everything I did. I'd tear my paper, then he tore his."

"The audience would keep looking back and forth, first at me, then this guy. Finally, we reached the end of the trick and I unfolded my whole paper and he unfolded his to reveal a load of confetti," said Kevin. "He couldn't understand it. 'I did everything he did,' he said."

For his next amazing trick, Kevin got three volunteers from the audience.

The first volunteer, Julie, was asked to choose two of three lemons. Then she picked one of the two remaining lemons. Each rejected lemon was tossed to a member of the audience. Julie's lemon was then placed in a plastic shopping bag that she held tightly closed.

The next volunteer, a little girl named Molly, was asked to bring a dollar bill to the stage. Kevin tore the dollar bill in half, gave Molly one half, then burned the other half in full view of the audience. He then placed the ashes of the burned bill in the plastic bag with the lemon (without touching the bag or the lemon).

The last volunteer, David, was asked to bring a pocket knife to the stage. David was then instructed to remove the lemon and cut it in half by revolving his blade through the center. When the lines met he was asked to remove his knife and slowly pull the lemon apart. There in the center of the lemon was half of a rolled up dollar bill.

One lucky volunteer, Patrick Freden, was chosen to be the "Batmobile." Kevin then introduced Patrick to the Caped Crusaders themselves, Batman and Robin (two red handkerchiefs). Patrick was handed the two handkerchiefs, tied together, because that was the Batmobile's job, to carry the crime fighters.

Patrick did his job well; wearing a black leather jacket he wore to the show, accessorized by a cape and hood supplied by Kevin and Cindy. He even managed to sound somewhat like the Batmobile after some coaching from Cindy.

What about the other people?

Well the other nine volunteers on stage were the chorus. It was there job to sing, "Da da Da da Da da Da da Da..." after which the audience yelled, "Batman!"

The audience had the additional job of saying, "Oooh, Aaahh," whenever Kevin mentioned the Gotham National Bank (which was portrayed by an empty popcorn box).

Everyone was then introduced to Batman's worst enemy, the Joker (portrayed by a yellow handkerchief). It seems the Joker was robbing the Gotham National Bank, "Oooh, Aaahh," but Batman was on the way, "Vrooom, Vrooom," ... "Da da Da da Da da Da da Da...BATMAN!"

But, the Joker, knowing Batman was on his way, hid inside the Gotham National Bank, "Oooh, Aaahh," but when Batman finally arrived, the Gotham National Bank, "Oooh, Aaahh," was empty, as Kevin showed the audience the empty popcorn box.

"But," explained Kevin. "The Caped Crusaders, ever the vigilant

crimefighters, always get their man."

And opening Patrick's hands revealed that Batman and Robin had indeed captured the Joker and had him tied between them.

The Last act of the performance was titled, "The Metamorphosis"

Normally, part of their stage illusion act, "The Metamorphosis" is an illusion created by Harry Houdini.

Kevin was put into wrist shackles then tied shut in a velvet bag. The bag containing Kevin was then placed into a wooden trunk that was sealed with a padlock and the key was given to a volunteer for safe keeping.

His wife Cindy, then stood on top of the box and raised a curtain over the trunk and to her chest.

She then called for four volunteers to close the circle which they did within two seconds, just as they clasped hands, surrounding the trunk, Cindy ducked and up came Kevin.

He immediately dropped the curtain to reveal a locked trunk. The key was retrieved from the volunteer, and Cindy was soon revealed inside the tied shut bag with her wrists shackled in iron and chain.

It was an amazing performance.

"The Metamorphosis," received many unsolicited "Ooohs and Aaahs," including some stunned, open-mouthed expressions.

After the performance, Cindy said that she could hear a man in the

front row while she was inside the trunk.

"He kept yelling, 'Oh my gosh. Oh wow. Oh wow!'" said Cindy. "I thought he was going to have a heart-attack."

"I was really surprised at the number of people we had attend this show," said Mondy Raibon, Student Association advisor. "I only expected about half of the chairs to be filled, I didn't expect an over-flow crowd."

One student commented to Raibon that he was glad to have a performance he could bring his kids to see.



Biology department reopens Greenhouse

By Becky Nichols

The UT Tyler greenhouse is open this semester after years of being closed, according to Dr. Lynn L. Sherrod, professor of biology.

The biology department is gradually acquiring plants for the greenhouse, which is used as a research lab by students of plant morphology.

"We are trying to get some exotic

Dr. George F. Hamm, UTT president, cleared the way for funding to replace the original cooling equipment with evaporative air conditioning, which is essentially water-cooled air.

A greenhouse consultant, recommended and designed the type of cooling equipment that should be used.

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handed the two the blue balloons and demonstrated how to hold them out at arms length before they started.

When they finally started for real, Kevin managed to have his hands completely free and the rope dangling in his fingers before the volunteers had finished their first puff.

His next trick involved a little

Kevin then instructed David and Molly to come to the microphone and slowly read the serial numbers.

Yes, you guessed it, they matched perfectly.

The next trick involved a few more volunteers, ten on the stage, plus the cooperation of the entire audience.

University Players open production on Oct. 26

"The House of Blue Leaves," a 1965 black comedy seen through rose-colored glasses, will open at UT Tyler Oct. 26 and run through Oct. 28.

Student life

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search of a band. Long tells the story of how he lost his band. Then he passes out instruments to the audience and asks them to be his band.

Elan Gold is a comedian who impersonates other comedians but also does some original material.

With the April '91 Earth Day in mind, Greenpeace was recommended to come and give an environmental lecture and slide show.

The groups recommended must first be approved by the Student Association and Student Life Committee before they can be added to next spring's entertainment schedule.

The upcoming Pre-Halloween dance was also discussed at the SLC meeting.

The dance will be held Friday, Oct. 19, from 8-12 p.m. in the University Center.

"The House of Blue Leaves," by John Guare, won the 1970 New York Drama Critics Circle prize. The play also won numerous Tonys since its

revival in 1986.

The play is a satiric farce about a middle-aged zookeeper named Artie Shaughnessy.

Artie writes imitations of cheap, popular songs and dreams of going to Hollywood and winning an academy award.

Artie lives with his wife, Bananas. He wants to put Bananas in a sanitarium (the house of the title) and run off to California with Bunny, his downstairs neighbor and mistress.

The play is filled with unbelievable events.

The Shaughnessy apartment is invaded by a trio of nuns at the same

The Spencer's Magic and Illusion

time his mistress is visiting.

A deaf starlet enters who plans to marry Artie's ticket to freedom, Billy, the Hollywood producer.

Add to these events Artie's AWOL son Ronnie, who plans to blow up the pope.

Leslie Bennetts, The New York Times critic, stated, "I think of these people as being in prison and trying to get out."

Reservations may be made from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in HPR 241 or by calling 566-7253 or 566-7254. Tickets are: \$3 for adults; \$2 for students; \$1 for senior citizens. Each UT Tyler student is entitled one complimentary ticket by showing their student ID.

we are trying to get some exotic ferns, tropical species that can't normally be found in East Texas," explains Sherrod. The horticulture department at TJC is donating some plants, while others come from friends of faculty members who have greenhouses.

The greenhouse, which was built on the same contract with the science and math building in 1979, has been plagued with troubles from the start and virtually abandoned for the past five years, according to Sherrod.

The greenhouse had too much electrical gear and the cooling was not appropriate. Settling caused vent problems so the greenhouse stayed too hot.

Lloyd Ellis, supervisor of physical plant services, did the cooling and electrical work with the help of the physical plant crew.

According to Sherrod, the greenhouse has been operating for six weeks, maintaining an ideal, even temperature of 92 degrees Fahrenheit.

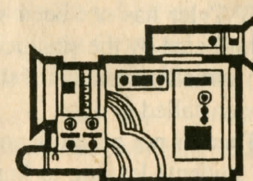
The greenhouse will remain in constant operation, although it is not open for students in general. Special tours can be arranged through Sherrod, however.

Sherrod invites any UTT faculty or staff to bring any office plant that need rejuvenating or repotting.

Sherrod added, "Please bring your own pot."

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