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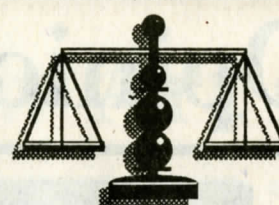


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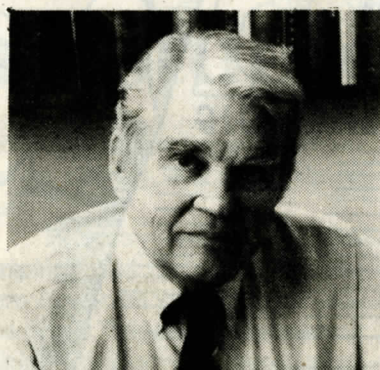
By Cheryl Hicks

Patriot Staff Writer

Award-winning writer and commentator Andy Rooney will be at UT Tyler Oct. 1 at 8 p.m. to kick off this season's Distinguished Lecture Series.

Rooney is best known for his weekly commentary on the CBS magazine series "60 Minutes," but his journalism career has also included radio, newspapers, books and magazine articles. He has authored nine books and currently writes a column for Tribune Media Services which appears in over 250 newspapers.

The National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences has presented Rooney with three Emmy awards, and he has won the Writers Guild Award a record-setting six times. He won his first Emmy in 1968 for his script, "Black History: Lost, Strayed or Stolen," which was narrated by Bill Cosby. "Mr. Rooney Goes to Washington," a series of one-hour vignettes on American life, earned him the Peabody award, and in 1971 his "Essay on War" earned him his third Writers Guild Award.



ANDY ROONEY

Rooney, a Colgate University alumnus, has lectured on documentary writing at Columbia University, Syracuse University, the University of Iowa and Yale University.

Student tickets for the Distinguished Lecture Series are available free for a limited time through the student services office. Students with a UTT I.D. card receive two free tickets while they last. Patron tickets are available at \$150 per person, and include reserved parking and seating at all three lectures as well as special pre-lecture receptions with the guest speakers. For further ticket information, call the UTT Development Office at (903) 566-7110.

Sister Cities Program

Tylerites travel to Yachiyo City, Japan

By Beth Erickson

Patriot News Editor

Thirty-six Tylerites, including Mayor Smith Reynolds, Sister Cities Chairman Norm Stoffman, and a dozen UT Tyler representatives traveled to Japan this summer to attend the Sister City "twinning ceremony" of Tyler, Texas and Yachiyo City, Japan.

The August 21-26 trip formalized relations between the two cities and laid foundations for future interactions. Among those attending from UTT were University President George Hamm, Liberal Arts Dean

Steve Lefevre, and several other faculty members.

Lefevre said the trip was "very exciting." "Everyone in Yachiyo City had been seeking publicity. They knew we were coming and were very receptive." He described the Japanese as generous, courteous, well-organized and extremely detail-conscious.

Following the August 23 twinning ceremony, dignitaries from Yachiyo City conducted a tree-planting ceremony in honor of the Tyler visitors and hosted a banquet complete with elaborate lighting, costumes and traditional Japanese dances.

Another evening the faculty and

student body of Yachiyo International University prepared what Dr. Lefevre calls "a huge barbecue party." "That was another highlight for me," says Lefevre, "to see the university turn itself out for us. We were very moved by that."

UT Tyler hosted twenty Japanese students from Yachiyo International this summer in an intensive three-week English as a Second Language program, and Lefevre hopes the sister city link will provide more opportunities for student/faculty exchange.

"I'd like to see if we can use this as a springboard for a number of programs," Lefevre stated, mentioning

UT student interests in business, international relations, and economics as areas of consideration. Regarding the establishment of such programs, he said, "We're going to do it, and the sooner the better as far as I'm concerned."

"You've got to work on a Sister City relationship," said Lefevre. "It's a vehicle for business people, city officials, universities and educational institutions, cultural groups—many opportunities for making links. I hope Tyler takes advantage of it."

In May of this year, Tyler hosted the same type of ceremony for Japanese delegates visiting the U.S.



Student housing being built

By Marsha Millikin

Patriot Staff Writer

Construction of a \$5 million UT Tyler student apartment complex has begun on University Boulevard across the street from the Business Building.

money will help boost the local economy."

The project should be completed by August 1993, generating permanent positions for a complex manager, community assistants, clerks, student workers, and maintenance personnel.

Vote deadline Oct. 1

By Patricia McGhehey
Patriot Staff Writer

If you have not registered to vote in the '92 election, Oct. 1 is the deadline.

Registration forms can be picked up in the second-floor lobby of the UT Tyler Business Building.

According to UTT's political science instructor Amy Glenn, this is a critical year for voting since many issues are at stake.

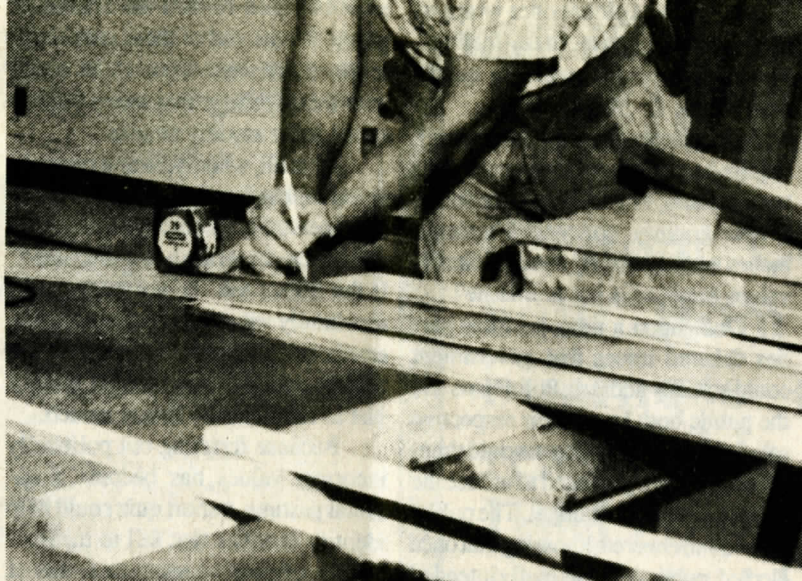
To vote in Texas, you must be a citizen of the United States, a resident of Texas and the county in which you live, for at least 30 days prior to election day.

Gov. Ann Richards announced

VOTE!

that several chain stores have agreed to allow use of their facilities for early voting. A new law permits balloting in retail establishments. The new law is an effort to encourage more people to vote by making voting booths more accessible.

Shari Koukl, president of the League of Women Voters of Tyler said, "Both Wal-Mart locations will have booths (for voter registration) set up from 1-6 p.m. everyday starting Oct. 19-23."



FINISHING TOUCHES...

Completing finish work in the new Art Complex, Curtis Benge of Jacobe Brothers Construction measures the trim for one of the north light studios. (Photo by Mark Satterwhite).

begun on University Boulevard across the street from the Business Building. Trees have been cleared and the lot leveled. The next step is to pour the concrete for the foundation.

"This will be student apartment style housing, not dormitories," said Dr. Robert Jones, vice-president of administration.

"This complex will house 340 students. There will be one-, two-, and four-bedroom apartments with kitchen facilities in each unit. There will also be parking space for each resident," Jones said.

Owners of the complex are Century Development and the contractor, Davis Construction Company, both of Houston. All construction work has been sub-contracted by local firms.

"Carpenters, roofers, electricians, plumbers and so forth are all local people," said Jones. "Therefore, this

student workers, and maintenance personnel.

"By March 1, we will begin hiring a manager and staff. Students may start signing up for apartments in the Admissions Office at that time," Jones said.

Amenities will include a swimming pool, clubhouse, on-site mail boxes and laundry facilities.

This is the only apartment building under construction in Tyler at this time.

"We're not worried about competition," said a spokesman for Steeplechase Apartments. "Since occupancy rates for apartments in Tyler are 99%, it probably won't affect us at all."

UTT housing will be available to any student whether married or single, male or female, with or without children.

UT Tyler Downward expansion controversial

By Maureen Christopherson
Patriot Staff Writer

Is it needed?

Is it feasible from a tax standpoint?

These questions about the proposed downward expansion of UT Tyler have triggered a mixed response and much debate throughout East Texas.

Friends and foes of the proposal to admit freshmen and sophomores to UT Tyler agree that the responsibility of every institution of higher education is to focus on the student, the taxpayers and the maximum utilization of state resources.

But disagreements arise about how to do this.

UTT is primarily responsible for providing higher educational programs for the East Texas Planning Region. The region consists of fourteen counties: Anderson, Camp, Cherokee, Gregg, Harrison, Henderson, Marion, Panola, Rains, Rusk, Smith, Upshur, Van Zandt and Wood, with a present combined population of 650,000.

UTT, an upper-level university, offers junior, senior and graduate courses and is the only state-supported university in the East Texas Planning Region. Currently, the university offers 66 bachelor's and graduate de-

grees.

Public junior and community colleges in the region include Tyler Junior College, Kilgore College, Northeast Texas Community College, Trinity Valley Community College and Panola College. These junior colleges presently offer academic transfer programs and technical programs, as well as developmental education programs, para-medical and other health professions programs, continuing education programs and community services programs.

On the question of downward expansion, it is UTT's position that universities, by design and by practice, have a distinctly different mission from that of a junior or community college; that is, a mission with a restricted focus on the student seeking an academic degree. The university believes that there is a need for enhanced higher educational opportunity in the region and that this can best be achieved by UTT becoming a four-year comprehensive university.

Dr. Jim Vaughn, a proponent of downward expansion and a member of the Board of Trustees of Tyler Junior College, is convinced that a four-year university attracts a different type of student than a junior college and that there is a place at the education table for both.

"A democratic free market sys-

tem includes the right to choose," said Vaughn, a recipient of the TJC distinguished alumni award. Implicit in this statement is Vaughn's support for both UTT and TJC and what he believes to be their separate, but important, educational missions.

UTT recognizes that, for those seeking academic courses, an important dimension of the junior college is to admit students regardless of their grade average or scores on SAT or ACT entrance examinations, reiterating Dr. Vaughn's opinion that the dual-system of education allows everyone an opportunity to pursue higher education.

Conversely, TJC and other community colleges in the region view downward expansion as a costly duplication of what is already in place at the five junior colleges. TJC's administration recommends an expanded curriculum at UTT and an offering of more graduate level courses as a more efficient alternative.

Both institutions agree, but from different perspectives, that there are gaps in the region's present higher education structure.

UTT, in its position paper to the Tyler Chamber of Commerce, said that students leave the region because areas of study are not available to them at the freshman and sophomore levels.

"It is estimated that for the 1990-91 academic year alone more than 800 high school graduates left their homes in the East Texas Planning Region to attend public universities or colleges in Texas. Once they leave the region, the possibility they will return home to begin their career is reduced greatly."

The paper went on to state that "according to information in the May 28, 1991 edition of *The Tyler Courier-Times Telegraph*, 87 valedictorians and salutatorians, representing 46 high schools in East Texas, graduated in 1991. Of those, 80 percent stated their intention to leave the East Texas Planning Region to attend a four-year university, public and private. Twenty percent planned to attend a junior or community college in the region."

During a town meeting in Tyler on Aug. 18, UTT President George Hamm stated that "while 50 percent of the students coming out of East Texas junior colleges are attending UTT to finish their degrees, virtually none of those students are enrolling in foreign language, math or chemistry studies."

Gerald Morris, vice president for academic affairs at UTT, indicated that the majority of students graduating from the university receive degrees in education, business and liberal arts.

"Most of the students interested in science or math go to a four-year university from the start," Morris said, emphasizing the need for a four-year university within the immediate community to accommodate this caliber of student.

In contrast, TJC President Raymond M. Hawkins recently argued that ample opportunities now exist for post-secondary education and training at the lower division through the existing public community and junior colleges in the region, citing pre-engineering, performing arts, the health sciences and various medical technology programs, among others.

Hawkins said that students in these areas of study have had to leave the East Texas area to complete their baccalaureate degrees because the opportunity is not available at UT Tyler.

In a position paper presented to the Tyler Chamber of Commerce, Hawkins stated that four of every five freshmen and sophomores from the Region who enroll in a Texas public college or university enroll in one of the region's five public junior colleges.

"It is unlikely that an expanded UT Tyler would draw significant numbers of the remaining 20 percent because the reasons these students choose to leave the region relate more to their

seeking specialized academic majors or a residential collegiate environment."

However, UTT points to the fact that education is literally shutting its doors to new enrollments at a number of universities throughout the state, creating a decided need for additional four-year universities and a potential market for UTT should it attain four-year status.

UTT, in its position paper, stated that according to the 1992 Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board's "Annual Status Report on Higher Education in Texas," enrollment at Texas institutions of higher education reached a record high of 903,936 in 1992, an annual increase of nearly 20,000 students.

The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board recently suggested that seven institutions in Texas should move to limit enrollment as soon as possible. UT Austin already has capped its enrollment and others on the list include Southwest Texas State University, the University of North Texas, Sam Houston State University, Stephen F. Austin State University, Texas Tech University and UT Arlington.

"UT Austin presently has more applications than they admit," Morris

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Editorial

Go 4 year!

Many concerns have been voiced recently over the proposed downward expansion of UT Tyler to include freshmen and sophomore students. For the most part, I have heard few legitimate arguments against, but many in favor of downward expansion.

The argument against is that UTT as a four-year school will draw the "best and brightest" students from the region, thereby depriving the area junior colleges of elite students.

While this may be a small concern as related to academic transfer programs, surely UTT's proposed enrollment of 200 freshmen during the first year isn't going to hurt any of the regional junior colleges. Especially when an additional 150,000 freshmen are expected in Texas by 2005.

Of more importance to evaluating the issue is how the region and the students will be better served by downward expansion. We are looking at 650,000 people living and working in the East Texas Planning Region with no state supported four-year college. In Longview, there are about 75,000 people, but no state-supported university or junior college.

Don't these people deserve the choice of attending college without leaving the region?

Also putting the responsibility for these people back on the junior colleges adds to property tax burdens. Tax rates for junior colleges have more than doubled in the last 10 years, as

they must because taxpayers must cover 25 percent of junior college funding.

UTT charges taxpayers no additional fees because 75 percent of its funding comes from the state. This is money that is already available, but is presently being appropriated for universities outside our region. Yet another example of our tax dollars going up in smoke.

Lastly, consider what downward expansion can do to expand departmental course offerings. Junior colleges do a superb job as a jumping off point for transfer students seeking a baccalaureate degree, but they have limited resources. UTT in its present form also lacks certain resources to expand course offerings, mostly students to support the programs. Over 2,000 high school graduates leave the region every year to attend a four-year college. Often it is because certain degree plans prevent a transfer program from working effectively.

Downward expansion would bring in the students that will eventually allow UTT to expand its programs, as well as enhancing the learning environment.

The plan has many potential benefits, but few or no drawbacks. It deserves the support of the Tyler community and East Texas. Please write your congressman and encourage them to support the downward expansion of UT Tyler.

—Michael Prewitt



Public quivers over values

By Judy Inman Montgomery
Patriot Editorial Page Editor

Once again campaign rhetoric has turned a completely harmless little group of words into shapeless mush. Family values, a phrase once wrapped in a blanket of warm, fuzzy feelings,

questioned the system.

This summer, the conventions of neither political party had that time-honored flavor of business as usual. Instead, both parties treated the public to a televised spectacle of cloying emotions that rivaled an encounter group. By the end of these sensitivity

You know your family values are in complete disarray when:

* Oprah and Geraldo are both competing to broadcast your sordid family story to a vast television audience.

* You know where your children are when you see them on the late

The war that Buchanan refers to began last May when Vice President Dan Quayle declared a holy jihad on an anonymous cultural elite. Quayle chose Candice Bergen, star of the popular television series "Murphy Brown," to represent this formless and almost certainly degenerate mass.

Opinion

Lines a Pain

Students who used their college-educated minds and opted for early or phone registration saved themselves plenty of time and frustration on Aug. 27.

Some 200 students and I chose to wait until the first day of regular registration and had to wait in a two-hour long line that curved around the UC center and the two adjoining corridors just to enter their classes on the computer terminals in step two of the registration process.

The staff did help tremendously by helping students with questions, passing out free beverages and student discount cards. But, obviously, the horde of students was more than expected.

Possibly giving time permits to students or using an alphabetical time table could have filtered students and cut down the long lines. Also, stressing to students the benefits of telephone registration could have helped.

Those fortunate enough not to need financial aid were set after the two-hour wait. They only had to pick up their bill, pay and get their student I.D. and UT vehicle sticker.

Then there were the other 250 students and I. We needed some form of financial aid, such as a Pell grant or a short-term loan. Our next step was to get a voucher from the bookstore and to then seek approval from the financial aid office before we could finish registration.

This line took at least another hour. Only two people typed out the vouchers and each one took an average of 15 minutes to type. Although I realize it is necessary for the forms to be typed so that the school and the bookstore can keep records, more typewriters were needed.

From there it only got worse. Only a handful of financial aid personnel were there to deal with the 250 students who needed some form of approval. The short-term loan waiting list had around 160 people on it, and the Pell grant waiting list had around 90 people on it. The average wait was two and a half hours.

While I was waiting, one of the

personnel went to lunch and made the waiting even longer.

It's not that they don't deserve lunch or breaks. But more personnel were needed while they were gone. Many students did not realize that registration was going to take all day and had to miss work. It's also true that in some cases, such as the financial aid office, only a selective few should be making the decisions regarding approval.

This only emphasizes the fact that time permits are necessary so that 500 students won't show up to register at the same time.

Also, students could dramatically help by using early telephone registration. It's easy, efficient and a real time-saver. I should know—it would have saved me six hours and 45 minutes.

—Cheril M. Sweet

Family values, a phrase once wrapped in a blanket of warm, fuzzy feelings, now causes public voices to quiver with wrath.

Since newspaper columnists are required to voice grave concern over such matters, I have decided to fill up a few gravely concerned column inches and fret briefly over the family values issue, or is it a non-issue?

Once upon a time, political parties debated issues that government could actually address. Politicians and the public both knew their respective roles. Campaign speakers would thunder about the urgent need to reduce the enormous national budget. The public agreed and cheered, knowing that once elected, public officials really intended to replace the enormous budget with one that was merely huge. But no one

are when you see them on the late news during a drug bust.

* Family reunions are impeded because everyone can't be paroled at the same time.

Since incorrect values stand out so sharply, defining correct family values should be simple. Oh no, wrong. Emphatically wrong. Family values refuse to be defined because families are made up of unique people, not processed with cookie-cutter symmetry. But political leaders continue to peddle moral superiority and foster a we/them mentality.

During the Republican convention, Patrick Buchanan took up the values cudgel. "There is a religious war going on in this country for the soul of America," he said.

After all, when debating issues as emotional as family values, the question inevitably arises: whose family and which values are being discussed? If the litmus test for possessing correct family values depends on togetherness and a shared purpose, then Ma Barker and her gang would qualify just as easily as the Brady Bunch.

Because ferreting out politically incorrect values has become a national pastime, a short quiz could help identify families that fail to measure up. An affirmative response to any of the following scenarios could indicate a severe values deficit.

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Brown," to represent this formless and almost certainly degenerate mass. Bergen, who portrays a tough anchor woman with a child born out of wedlock, won an Emmy Award for her performance.

"I would like to thank the vice president," said Bergen at the awards ceremony. "And I would like to thank the members of the cultural elite."

Bergen should not be alone in thanking the vice president. The country might well have gone through an entire crucial election year without the emotional fog produced by his culture war.

Considering the incredible casualties of such a war, I will be more comfortable when government goes back to shuffling budgets, instead of labeling families—one-size-fits-all.

Parking not impossible

By David Beidleman
UT Tyler Police Chief

I'm sure you've noticed that our parking lots are full, and students have had to look for less convenient parking places. Thanks to an increase in enrollment, especially around the Business Building, students have had to seek parking alternatives.

But we are pretty lucky here at UT Tyler. I recently had a phone call from a student at Stephen F. Austin who complained that students had even less parking available on their campus than we have at UTT.

The faculty, staff and students who live on campus at SFA take all the available parking spaces. All commuter students must find available parking off-campus, usually on public streets. The university does provide parking for commuters at the University Coliseum, located some distance away, with scheduled bus transportation to the main campus.

I also remember dealing with parking conditions for Southern Methodist University students during my days as Chief of Police in University Park. Students paid \$80 per academic year for the privilege of parking on campus. Unfortunately, SMU had only 1,000 spaces available for 9,000 students. Student parking then became the problem of the municipal police.

At UTT 1,270 spaces are provided, for both student and faculty parking, for less than 4,000 students. Most of our overcrowding is in lot 9 at

the Business Building because programs in that building have grown substantially.

We hope the following suggestions will provide some alternatives to alleviate the overcrowding in that area.

If you attend classes in the Business Building, check out lot 8—east of the Business Building—or lot 10 in front of the library for alternative parking. And, if all else fails, park on Varsity Drive. The Police Department will make frequent checks there to ensure the security of your vehicles.

In addition, there are other changes in parking which affect students and faculty. We are reserving and enforcing all areas marked Faculty and Staff or "Faculty Only." As a result of Faculty Senate efforts, approval for reserve parking for faculty is in effect. Most universities, as a common practice have reserve faculty parking. Please be aware that lot 4, near the flagpole, is reserved for faculty and staff. It is a violation if students park in this lot, and it will be closely monitored for violators.

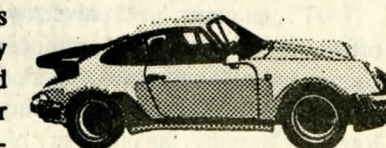
Another problem area is lot 5, the half circle by the flagpole. This lot is for visitors to the campus. Students should not park in this area for any reason. Some students have parked here when they did not have a sticker on their car or were driving a borrowed car. If you are driving a non-

stickered car, please come to the police station for a temporary sticker.

And finally, we would encourage students to use lot 6 at the Main Entrance. This is a convenient lot for those who attend classes in the HPR or Math Science Building. An added benefit is the beautiful walk through the wooded area to any of the buildings on the east side. We encourage students to use this lot when all others are full.

If you have not purchased your parking permit for the new academic year, the police office is open from 7 a.m. until 6:30 p.m. Someone will be there to assist you at these times. The cost of a permit for the year is \$15. Each additional sticker is \$2. The police station is located at the west entrance at Patriot Drive.

The police department is available 24 hours daily. If you need assistance, please call 566-7302. The courteous officers are available to help unlock your car, or provide jumpstarts and escort services.



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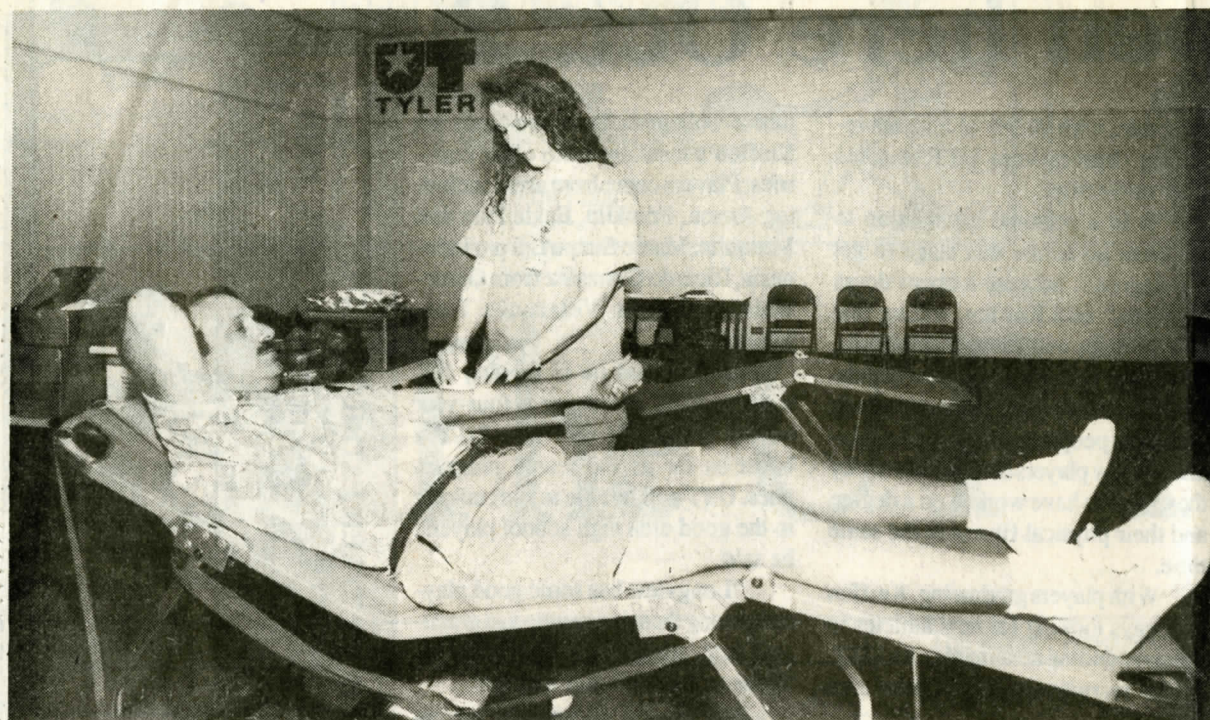
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GIVING TILL IT HURTS...

Ron Boerm, a nursing student at UT Tyler, kicks back while Kay Browne of the Stewart Blood Bank makes a small withdrawal during a recent blood drive. (Photo by Mark Satterwhite).

Geography studies urged

Vanessa Edwards

Patriot Staff Writer

"One in seven Americans cannot locate the United States on a map of the physical world," said Gilbert Grosvenor, president and chairman of the National Geographic Society, to a surprised audience last Thursday night at Caldwell Auditorium.

Grosvenor, whose family has been involved in National Geographic since its inception in 1888, spoke to the audience on the importance of

geography and its significant impact on the economy, now and for the future.

"Economic trends are geographic," said Grosvenor, stressing how Americans should be tuned in to the world. "We must understand our global neighbors, how things affect the global environment, one way or another; thus, we must understand geography."

According to Grosvenor, this understanding begins with the youth. In order to facilitate this understanding in the schools, the Texas Alliance for Geographic Education, sponsored in part by the National Geographic Society, now sends 100 teachers from all over the country to Washington, D.C., every summer to take a four-week course in geography and learn how to teach it to our youth and future leaders.

Two Co-ordinators representing Texas in geography education are Professors Richard G. Boehm of Southwest Texas State University and Sara Bednarz of Texas A&M University. Boehm said, "In this day and age,

the field of geography—environmental manager, forestry technician, park ranger, hazardous-waste planner, cartographer/computer mapper, urban and community planner, market researcher, overseas teacher, Peace Corps volunteer and the list goes on."

Half-a-million Texans are members of the National Geographic Society to date and Texas is leading the nation as one of the best and biggest geography programs.

"Geography is on its way back. We can and will produce a generation to compete and thrive in our global village," Grosvenor said. He added that both Bush and Clinton recognize geography's importance, making it a top priority in their education plans.

The presentation was brought to a close with a video tape entitled, "Geography: Voyage of Discovery." The video showed how cultures are becoming increasingly interdependent.

Dr. Thomas Fernandez, president of the East Texas Council on World

New Art Complex in use

By Mark A. Satterwhite

Patriot Staff Writer

If you go in or out the west entrance to the University, you may have noticed the construction next to the University Police Department. Nestled in the woods is the new Art Complex.

The new facility is adjacent to the existing Art Studio and will now allow the art department to be centralized in one location with the exception of art education classes, the art department chair office, and a few other art classes.

According to Jim Pace, associate professor of art, the new Art Complex, "will allow art curriculum to be taught in a more appropriate atmosphere." Pace, who has been teaching art at UT Tyler for eight years, was a major contributor in the basic design of the new facility which has been in the planning stage for the past five years. Charles Potter of Tyler was the architect for the complex, with Jacobo Brothers as the contractor.

With this addition, both two dimensional (painting, drawing, etc.) and three dimensional (sculpting) art will now be in close proximity. Studios for drawing, painting and printmaking as well as faculty offices will be housed in the facility. The two studios have "north light" windows which provide soft illumination ideal for painting and sculpting.

Included in the printmaking area is a ventilation system that will eliminate the fumes produced by compounds used in printmaking.

To complete the facility, an outdoor courtyard has been added. Located at the rear of the Complex, the "bullpen", as Pace calls it, will be used for both sculpting and painting.

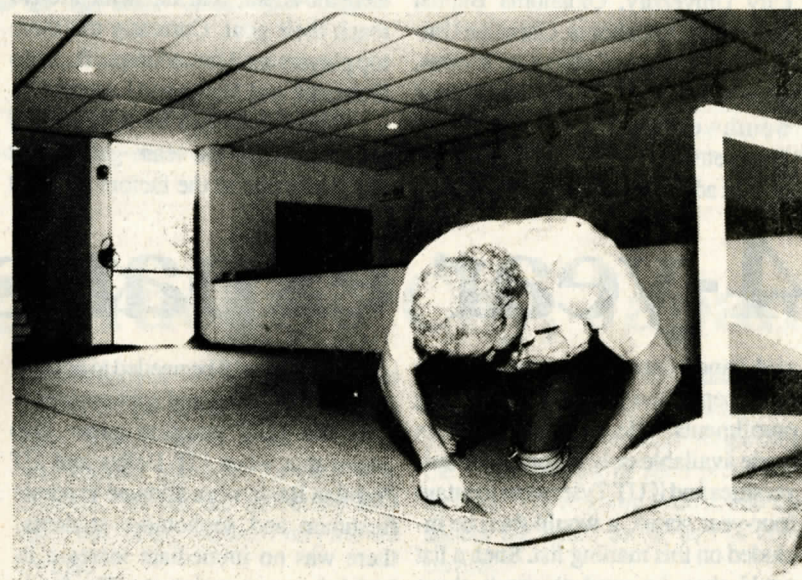
"It's a complement to the facility...and will aid in the recruiting of new students," said Pace who has already begun conducting classes in the 3,750 square foot Art Complex. The art department presently has approximately 30 undergraduate and 10 to 12 graduate majors as well as a

number of non-majors taking classes, according to Dr. Don Paoletta, art department chairman.

Paoletta, beginning his third year at UTT, said, "The University has been good to the art department, specifically with instruction in mind."

The University has been able to build the Art Complex, "with no funding from fees or taxes," said Dr. Rob-

ert Jones, vice president of administration. The funds are provided by the Permanent University Fund with the proceeds coming from investments made in the West Texas oil fields. Set up in the Texas Constitution in 1894 and amended in 1984 to include UTT, the Permanent University Fund provides state universities with the ability to construct facilities such as the new Art Complex.



TACKING IT DOWN...

Completing the replacement of carpet in the University Center and the Hundall-Pirtle-Roosth Building, Lee Plunk of East Texas Carpets finishes stretching some carpet. (Photo by Mark Satterwhite).

BSU sets activities

By Annette Rhodes

Patriot Staff Writer

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Courses in Biblical studies are offered each semester for college credit. A schedule of weekly activities include Bible study on Monday evenings at 7, a program each Wednesday at noon, known as Noontime Celebration, that includes a free lunch, and a Prayer Breakfast every Thursday morning at 7:30.

BSU will participate in the Leadership Training Conference in Waco Sept. 25-27, with an estimated 2,500 students from across the state in attendance.

The purpose of BSU is to involve students in activities that will strengthen their relationship with Christ and provide opportunities for fellowship and growth. Currently there are 260 students enrolled in the union.

Anyone interested in beginning a Bible study group on the UTT campus should contact Bob Mayfield at (903) 592-0382.

Sara Bednarz of Texas A&M University. Boehm said, "In this day and age, it is a very good time to be a geographer. There are numerous careers in

Dr. Thomas Hernandez, president of the East Texas Council on World Affairs and professor of speech and communication, hosted the event.

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Patriot Tennis Team to open here Oct. 2

By Gail McAlister
Patriot Staff Writer

Coach Fred Kniffen and the UT Tyler Patriots Tennis team are currently preparing for the Rolex Inter-collegiate Tennis Championships which will be held October 2-3 on the UTT campus. Play will begin at 8:30 a.m. each day and continue until around 6 p.m. Eight other schools will be competing, including: Oklahoma City University, Oklahoma Baptist University, Oklahoma Christian University, Bethany College of Kansas, Incarnate Word of San Antonio, and Southwestern University of Georgetown.

In addition to their normal prepa-

ration, the UTT team will participate in the Sept. 26-27, Hollytree Collegiate benefit this weekend. Proceeds from the benefit are split between the UTT and Tyler Junior College tennis teams.

Last year the UTT team placed tenth in the nation, which was low for them, but due mostly to the inexperience of many first-year UTT players. Since then the players have learned what it takes to get to the top and they have the talent, skill and dedication to reach their goal. Currently the three top players are Marco Sitepu, Ricardo Gonzalez and Hernando Ledezma.

The coach says he is expecting the experience the team gained last year to be one of the factors that will

help bring them back up to their National Championship rating in 1989. To help prepare for the fall season's tournaments they are out on the court every day at 7 a.m. and have another workout for about 2 hours later on in the day.

With workouts, tournaments, traveling and everything else players are involved with, Coach Kniffen still encourages them to finish school. The graduation rate in the United States is low among students who participate in different sports and this is a major concern to all schools. With so much pressure placed on students to win, the athletes may be limited to the number of classes they can take. But Kniffen and UTT boast of a high gradu-

ation rate, with 91.2% of athletes receiving degrees from UTT or some other university.

"It is a personal satisfaction to see them go across that stage to get that degree... because it opens doors for them," said Kniffen, adding that 50% of them will likely teach tennis, while the rest go into other fields. There are many more careers in tennis than most people realize. Upon graduation, many players find out how lucky they were to have worked on a degree and their physical fitness at the same time.

With players graduating, Kniffen is always looking for new athletes in the surrounding areas to play for UTT. So far recruitment comes from area

junior colleges. Three students on Kniffen's team are from other countries. Players come from areas including Anson, Franklin, Eagle Pass and Mesquite. Marco Sitepu is from Indonesia, Ricardo Gonzalez from Guatemala, and Luis Velazquez from Mexico.

Kniffen said he is looking forward to UTT becoming a four-year school because it will give UTT a boost as far as the tennis program goes. UTT will be able to start talking to the good area high school players, he said.

"Longview has some good players, among them is one who just graduated and attends the University of Texas at Austin," said Kniffen.

Any person on campus has an opportunity to play for the team. They are still looking for one more player for the women's team. "We would like for them to have played some tennis in high school or have some kind of background in tennis." If anyone is interested, they can contact the coach at the Summer's Tennis Center. But as the coach says, "as soon as they vote, I will be out there talking to those high school players."

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said, "and a list of freshmen who were not accepted there because of capping enrollments." He said such lists are made available only to four-year universities and if UT Tyler were to attain four-year status, it would then be included on this mailing list. Such a list could then be used to reach these students, he said.

At the Tyler Town Meeting on Aug. 18, he said, "Schools like the University of Texas at Dallas and the University of Texas at Clear Lake have built reputations on excellent upper-level degree programs without ever seeing a freshman or sophomore student."

But Morris says that until a four-year university is in place and an undergraduate base is established, growth at the upper-division and graduate levels cannot take place. He indicated that this was true for upper level universities all across the nation with a few exceptions, which include UT Dallas and UT Clear Lake.

Morris said that UT Clear Lake was able to expand upper and graduate levels before becoming a four-year university because of its market—NASA was directly across the street. Similarly, UT Dallas started as a graduate school and then became an upper-level university before at-

construction will be needed to accommodate freshmen and sophomores.

The UTT position paper also states that when UT Dallas and UT Permian Basin were allowed to admit freshmen and sophomore students, there was no immediate increase in legislative appropriations. The funding followed actual enrollment and was based upon the number of students enrolled.

According to the state's formula funding system, the state pays the same amount in support of a college student regardless of which state college or university the student attends.

"Only initial startup funding would be necessary because there is a two-year delay in funding based on the number of enrollments a university had in the past," Morris said.

If enrollment growth is forced on the region's junior colleges, this will broaden the burden on the East Texas taxpayers, UTT contends.

Morris agreed, saying that under the state's formula funding system "the state pays a lesser amount to community colleges than to four-year universities, but local taxpayers get involved at the junior college level."

Morris explained that universities in the UT system receive 75 percent of their funds from the state and

significantly within the last 10 years in the region.

"In 1982, the tax rate was around 6 cents per \$1,000 evaluation, he said. "In 1992, it moved to over 11 cents per \$1,000—the tax rate has more than doubled."

UTT thus asserts that it will cost the state no additional funds to support freshmen students who, because of enrollment limitations at UT Austin, or elsewhere, decide to attend UTT.

UTT further contends that because buildings and equipment within The UT System are funded through the Permanent University Fund (PUF), no extra state taxes would be needed and that the current 204 acres of land at UTT is adequate. Nor would additional buildings be needed until the year 2002.

Betty Nelson, director of public information at TJC, said that two-thirds of available monies from the PUF are appropriated to the UT System, with the balance allocated to Texas A&M. Within the UT System, 14 institutions make requests and vie for monies from the PUF, with UT Austin historically receiving the lion's share.

In regard to tuition being lower at TJC than at UTT, Morris said, "It's

In 1990, UTT began a Joint Baccalaureate Studies Program with regional community colleges that is designed to improve academic advising and shorten the time needed for area junior college students to receive bachelor's degrees at UTT, thus reducing costs to students and parents with no additional expense to taxpayers. This program will continue regardless of whether other changes occur.

Another alternative is the possibility of a formal partnership to consolidate the resources of UTT, TJC and perhaps other area junior colleges. This is a proposal based on the recent contractual agreement entered into between UT Brownsville and Texas Southmost College, a community college in Brownsville.

This partnership has not been fully evaluated at this time.

Under the present arrangement UT Brownsville is responsible for the day-to-day management and operation of the community college. The contractual agreement consolidates the staffs of both institutions, which includes designating one president, selected by the UT System's Board of Regents.

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as a graduate school and then became an upper-level university before attaining four-year status because it was located in the center of the electronics industry in Dallas, near firms such as Texas Instruments and EDS.

In his position paper, Hawkins contended that the potential loss of up to 25 percent of the junior colleges' enrollments and brightest students to UT Tyler would be devastating, that the revenue loss alone could be crippling, that immediate cuts in faculty and support staff would result in fewer sections of required courses and electives and that extracurricular activities could be curtailed or eliminated.

In addition to the financial impact on his institution, Hawkins said that the learning environment would be impaired since the best students serve as pacesetters for the level of discourse in the classroom and enrich the learning environment for all students.

UTT's position is that there is no evidence to suggest that a junior college has been devastated by the presence of a neighboring four-year university. In its position paper, UTT stated that "in metropolitan areas throughout Texas, junior colleges and universities thrive alongside one another. These include Austin, Dallas, San Antonio, Houston, Tarrant County and El Paso. Moreover, many university students enroll concurrently at the community college in order to take a course not available at the university or to take courses at a more convenient time."

Morris cited Cook County Community College in Denton as an example.

"This college recently moved in to Denton, a city with two existing four-year universities," he said, underscoring UTT's position that this dual system of education can operate side-by-side.

Hawkins argues that the downward expansion of UTT is wasteful duplication of resources with a big price tag.

In his position paper, Hawkins cited statistics contained in the controversial Texas Research League's report which indicate that five-year operating costs at an expanded UTT range from a low of \$10.5 million to a high of \$29 million.

Vaughn says the report contains inaccuracies and that Hawkins' reliance on it is misplaced. No additional

ties in the UT system receive 75 percent of their funds from the state and the balance from tuition, whereas the state contributes 50 percent to the junior colleges with local taxpayers absorbing around 25 percent and student tuition fees the balance.

Thus, the community colleges cost the state treasury less per student than four-year universities simply because tax monies are derived from different sources. But local taxpayers, such as those in Tyler, incur higher taxes to support local junior colleges.

Morris noted that the local tax rates for junior colleges have gone up

In regard to tuition being lower at TJC than at UTT, Morris said, "It's important that students have options to attend a junior college if their finances dictate that, but students should also have the option to go to a four-year university." He also reiterated the fact that the tuition difference exists because local taxpayers partially support students at the junior college level.

Alternatives to the four-year expansion of UTT have been suggested and include maintaining the status quo, but with a stronger linkage between both institutions of higher education.

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