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\$1 million donation brings FA complex closer to goal

The UT System Board of Regents accepted a \$1 million gift, the largest single donation to date, for the Liberal Arts/Fine and Performing Arts complex at UTT during the February board meeting, said Dr. George F. Hamm, UTT president.

"This gift is an enormous step toward bringing our funding campaign to fruition," said Hamm. "I am confident that the generous support will stimulate the additional gifts necessary to complete this major project."

The donor requested anonymity, said Hamm.

Dr. Robert Jones, vice president for administration, said the university only needs to raise \$1 million more before construction can begin.

"This gift (the \$1 million donation) and others demonstrate the strong support for equipping UTT with the facilities it needs to grow and serve the entire East Texas region well into the twenty-first century. We are profoundly grateful to our donors," said Hamm.

The complex, estimated to cost \$18.2 million, is to be financed with \$12 million from the Permanent University Fund, with the remainder coming from private gifts.

PUF is a public endowment contributing to the support of institutions of the UT System and the Texas A&M University System. The fund is not tax money, nor is it funded through taxpayer contributions.

The new facility will accommodate growing demands for enhanced

as well as official university convocations, Hamm said.

C/A Architects of Houston and Longview designed the complex. The firm also designed the Erwin Center at UT Austin, The Ferrel Events Center at Baylor University and special event centers at UT El Paso and Western Carolina University.

In other actions, the regents accepted an additional \$366,000 in gifts and grants for UTT.

A bequest of \$74,570 was accepted from the estate of Norma Anderson Carpenter of Tyler to establish the Anderson endowment at UTT. Income from the endowment will be used to provide scholarships at the University.

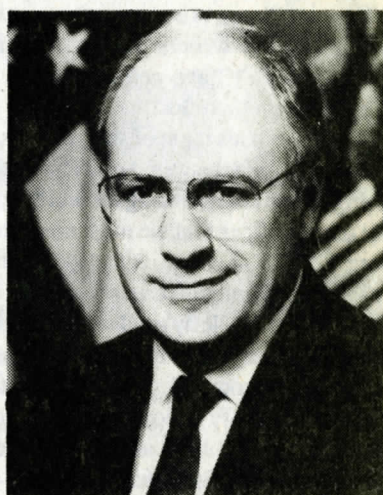
Mrs. Carpenter had requested that the endowment be funded in memory of her father, Hugh Anderson, a former Smith County Commissioner.

Also, the regents accepted three grants from the Texas Education Agency totaling \$75,000 for the Quality Work Force Planning program based at UTT.

Two grants totaling \$28,073 were accepted from TEA for personnel development programs for secondary teachers.

In addition, a grant of \$179,105 for the East Texas Teacher preparation Consortium, headquartered at UTT, was accepted from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

Also, the board approved an agreement between UTT and UT El Paso for the Alliance of Minority Par-



Richard "Dick" Cheney

Richard Cheney, former U.S. secretary of defense and one of the most sought after speakers in the nation today, is scheduled to speak April 15

Cheney third speaker in series

in The UT Tyler Distinguished Lecture Series, President George F. Hamm announced.

Cheney, who served as secretary of defense from 1989 to 1993, has been called by *The New York Times* "indisputably the most important secretary of defense in the last quarter of a century."

In 1975, at the age of 34, Cheney was named President Gerald Ford's White House chief of staff. He was elected to Congress in 1978 to represent the State of Wyoming and rose to the number two position in the House until he left to become secretary of defense in 1989.

Early in his tenure as secretary of defense, Cheney was faced with the

difficult task of cutting the defense budget by roughly \$10 billion. More recently he played a key part in planning and implementing strategies for the Persian Gulf War.

UT Tyler's Distinguished Lecture Series for 1992-93 has presented CBS News correspondent Andy Rooney and human rights leader Corretta Scott King.

Willy Brandt, former chancellor of Germany, was scheduled to be the third speaker in this year's series. Brandt died in October 1992. There have been no confirmed plans made for next year's Distinguished Lecture Series at this time.

Presented in association with the Smith County Medical Society Aux-

iliary, the lecture series was initiated in 1982 and has featured such speakers as Henry Kissinger, Zbigniew Brzezinski, Thomas P. "Tip" O'Neill, Jeane Kirkpatrick, Robert Strauss, Alexander Haig and William F. Buckley.

The lecture is scheduled to begin at 8 p.m. at Caldwell Auditorium. Tickets will be available for students in mid-March at the Student Services office. There will be 200-300 student tickets available on a first come, first serve basis. Student tickets are free, and regular tickets will be \$15. For more information contact the UT Tyler Office of Development, (903) 566-7110.

University Pines apartments

Construction is ahead of schedule

By Tracy Webster
Patriot Staff Writer

Construction on the University Pines Apartments is ahead of schedule, according to Century Development student liaison Marlo Hargrove.

The apartments should be completed by the middle of June with students moving in during August before the fall semester begins.

One bedroom apartment rates have changed. The full year lease rates have dropped to \$450 per month for a single occupant and \$225 for double occupancy. During summer months, those rates drop to \$415 and \$208.

Academic year leases for the one

ture and a bedroom suite consisting of a twin bed, chest of drawers, a desk and a chair are provided. Kitchen appliances include a stove, dishwasher and a refrigerator with an ice maker.

Cheryl Williams of Steeplechase Apartments says she doesn't expect a drop in occupancy when University Pines opens.

"We're 45 percent students and we have better rates. I don't feel like it'll be a big change." Other apartment complex managers contacted said they also do not foresee a loss of business.

Hargrove said each student residing at University Pines will have a lease contract with Century Development, and if a student can't come up



The new facility will accommodate growing demands for enhanced offerings in art, music, drama and speech, and will house a general use auditorium, theater, recital hall and art gallery.

The facility will be used for nationally recognized concerts, performances, plays, musicals and lectures

agreement between UTT and UT El Paso for the Alliance of Minority Participation, a program of the National Science Foundation designed to increase the number of minorities receiving bachelor of science degrees in natural sciences.

Under the agreement, UTEI Paso will pay \$10,000 to UTT.

SA president resigns, Fenton assumes job

By Sheila McElroy
and Tyson Spizzirri
Patriot Staff Writers

Chris Fenton, former SA vice president, will now take up the mantle of president, following the resignation of Charles Murray, in accordance with the rules for succession in Article VII, Section 2 of the SA Constitution.

Murray abdicated after announcing conflicts with his class load and work schedule.

Andrew Roddy was appointed as interim vice president.

All officer positions will be replaced in the regular elections April 13 and 14.

The term of office for all officers is from May 1 to April 30. The candidate meeting for prospective candidates will be held on March 30 and a location and time to be announced.

Kimberly Kriel, who had been scheduled in a run-off special election with Roddy, becomes secretary by default.

Robert Parker and Toni Laroux retain the position of parliamentarian and treasurer, respectively.

New representatives elected during the Feb. 2-3 special election include Jeremy Gibson, math/science representative, Keith German and Sheryl Larkin-Wood, business representatives, and Carrie Campbell, ed/psych representative. Campbell fills the vacancy left by Roddy's appointment to vice president. These positions have not yet been officially accepted.

The math/science representative position left vacant by Kriel will be filled at a later date.

Liberal Arts Representative Bill Dunn's resignation was also accepted at the beginning of the meeting. His vacant post will be given to Jeff Sorrells by presidential appointment.

"I want to thank the SA members for all the work they have done to improve entertainment and better the atmosphere for the student body overall," Fenton said.

In other actions, the SA will work with the university snack bar to host an Easter egg hunt. The hunt is aimed at students with children who may not attend other UT activities.

The SA will also sponsor entertainment for Earth Day which is tentatively scheduled for April 24. Plans will include performances of top-40 and country and western songs by the band "Starving Artist."

During a committee report, it was announced that the Valentine's Dance had been a great success. Sixty people attended the dance that was held at Quality Inn in Tyler. Kriel said, "We need more people to show up at the functions we host."

Roddy, Kriel and Laroux recently traveled to the National Association of Campus Activities (NACA) conference held in Nashville, Tenn., where they attended various workshops to further their knowledge of student government.

"The workshops show participants how to be a more efficient in their student association," Kriel said. Roddy attended a contract negotiations seminar. He obtained information regarding acts available for booking for possible future university functions, which is part of his duties as chairperson of the Student Life Committee and SA vice president.

Questions about the availability of computers purchased for Continuing Education courses and the lighting in certain parking lots were to be forwarded to the administration and should be answered during the Feb. 24 meeting. This meeting could not be reported due to deadlines.



Adding the final touch...

Alfredo Armada, an employee of the Jim Barham Paint Company of Houston, lays down a bead of caulk where the window meets the brick. (Photo by Ben Champion, photo editor)

Soviet image changed in American culture

By Debbie Hoover
Assistant Managing Editor

Dr. Garth Jowett, professor of communication at the University of Houston, opened last Thursday's Liberal Arts Colloquium with an explanation of the general nature of propaganda.

"Without getting into a heavy theoretical model of propaganda, what we're talking about is a technique that is, in itself, neutral. How propaganda is applied depends on an individual's perspective; whether it is for a good or evil purpose," said Jowett. "What propaganda does is to shape cognitions and alter perceptions to try to get an individual to agree to the point of view of the propagandist."

Using the theme "Better Dead than Red," the program addressed how the image of the former Soviet Union has changed in American popular culture.

Jowett's lecture and slide presentation was followed by a lecture and film clip presentation by Dr. Victoria O'Donnell, professor and director of the Basic Communications Course at Montana State University. Both pro-

gram presenters are widely traveled, frequently published, and have co-authored the textbook, "Propaganda and Persuasion".

O'Donnell emphasized propaganda in motion pictures where Russians symbolize hostility.

"In our characteristic as Americans we forgive our enemies; we are superior over our enemies; and we value peace, love, and economic success—at least that's what they tell us in the movies," she said.

Jowett, in his slide presentation, demonstrated "the attempt to create in the minds of Americans a strong anti-communist perspective in the fight for the hearts and minds of the people in the 1950s and '60s during the Cold War period. Every form of communication and entertainment was used by both sides for propaganda purposes and my focus is strictly on the ephemera of mainstream communication where anti-communist propaganda was used mainly in the form of entertainment as a means of somehow creating those perceptions, creating those cognitions."

The movie "Red Salute," made in 1935, depicts a coed who falls in love

with a communist agitator. Her father reacts by sending her to Mexico where she meets and falls in love with a border patrol officer who, with the help of friends, attacks the agitators. "This film was really a knock-off of 'It Happened One Night' and was given a second life 18-years later with the title 'Runaway Daughter' at the time newspaper headlines were proclaiming that the Rosenbergs were being executed as communist spies."

Jowett cited other examples of motion pictures with anti-communist messages being re-released with new titles during times of increased political tension between the United States and Russia. Other re-releases had been edited to give the opposing view of the original when politics between the two countries reversed. He emphasized that films done in a comedic sense were shown during times of hostility, yet more realistic and serious portrayals were released during years of political alliance.

"These mildly comic criticisms of the Soviet Union would very soon disappear with the invasion of Russia by Germany and its becoming our ally. Hollywood jumped immediately

into the fray after Operation Barbarossa which was supposed to be Hitler's campaign to conquer Russia in 1941. 'The Chetniks' dramatized the struggle of the Yugoslavian patriots, except that they often tended to side with the Nazis against Tito's communism. In Hollywood's version they were seen as anti-communist heroes. The term 'Chetniks' is still used today by the superpatriots," he said.

Other films he discussed were based on real-life experiences. "One of the most interesting films ever made by Hollywood, 'The Great Mission to Moscow,' is based on the best-selling book by U.S. Ambassador to Moscow Joseph Davis," he said. According to Jowett, this film minimizes the severity of the purge trials, 1937-39.

"By 1947 the House Un-American Activities Committee was asking Jack Warner to explain why he had made this film. He successfully avoided a precise answer. It wasn't until he wrote his autobiography in 1965 that he revealed that he had made it on the personal request of Franklin Roosevelt. The film's screenwriter was blacklisted largely because of this film. One critic called it the

ment, and if a student can't come up with his share of the rent, that student's roommates will not be affected.

"You're only responsible for your part," she said.

To clarify the method used for assigning roommates, Hargrove explained that if a student has a roommate in mind and both parties agree, they will be placed together.

A questionnaire included in the residence application determines the placement of persons who do not have a roommate preference; the plan is similar to what is done in dormitories.

Hargrove said an effort is made to match people in the same age group who have similar study habits. Also, an effort is made to separate smokers from non-smokers.

The model, a two-bedroom, one-bath, should be ready by March 17, said Hargrove. When that occurs, anyone needing information or wanting a tour of the two-bedroom model can come to the clubhouse, where the offices are located, for a tour.

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Academic year leases for the one bedroom apartment are \$450 per month for single and \$225 for double.

Hargrove said that applications are already coming in from prospective tenants. "It's meeting a lot of students' needs," she said. "The four bedrooms are going very well and the one bedrooms are going well, too."

The apartments are available on a first-come, first-serve basis and there are limited numbers of each unit available. Hargrove recommends that interested students turn in an application and security deposit to secure the type of unit they want.

Included in the rental rates are water, sewer and trash pickup costs. The student pays the electrical bill. And no pets are allowed.

A security deposit of \$150 is required to guarantee students an apartment. The deposit is fully refundable until the lease contract is signed.

The four bedroom and two bedroom units are furnished and one furniture payment is required before the student moves in. Living room furni-

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Opinion / Editorial

Editorial

Sex education needed for today's generation

State Senator Mike Moncrief, D-Fort Worth, introduced a bill to the 73rd Legislature. Senate Bill 20, or the health education bill, requires that school districts offer "an objective program of education for self-development and life skills in kindergarten through grade 12."

The bill allows each district to "use a program developed by the Central Education Agency or another program approved by the district's board of trustees." Note the parameters of the bill—local control.

Course materials and content will be age appropriate for the children. Parents will be informed of the course content and retain the right to have their children participate or not.

Some provisions of SB 20 call for classes in resisting peer pressure, preventing AIDS, preventing pregnancy and avoiding alcohol and other drug abuse. This is much like the Drug Free Youth in Texas (DFYIT) and Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) programs already in our schools.

Moncrief, in a recent article in the Dallas Morning News, said classes would emphasize "the possible emotional, psychological and health consequences of adolescent sexual intercourse."

Students would also be taught abstinence or delaying sexual activity along with the legal responsibilities, such as child support, that come with having babies.

So why the controversy?

When SB 20 was first read on the Senate floor the "initial reaction was so violent we decided to first answer questions about some of the garbage," said Linda Christofiles, a staff member in Moncrief's Austin office. "Garbage" is defined as the misconception that Texas schools will be turned into institutions of perversion.

Anne Newman, a San Antonio homemaker and opponent of SB 20, sees the bill as an attempt "to pull the wool over the eyes of unsuspecting parents." These must be the parents who can't read or don't think about what they are reading—specifically the provisions in the senate bill.

Author of *The Sex Pushers: Your Children the Target* (a 32-page "investigative report," available for \$7), Newman writes that allies of the bill will "lure teen girls to family

'Camelot' it's not; budget will bust

Instead of enjoying the comfortable "Camelot" style atmosphere of years gone by, the Clinton administration is scrambling to communicate,



Ben Champion

by every means available, the need to raise your taxes.

Here is an excerpt of a conversation between the president and a greedy yuppie at a recent town meeting:

Clinton: I'm raising your taxes.

Yuppie: No you aren't.

Clinton: I'm going to increase your tax burden.

Yuppie: No you're not!

Then communications chief George Stephanopoulos turned on

Clinton's obfuscation scrambler, causing a hush to fall over the crowd and the tables to turn.

Clinton: No new taxes.

Yuppie: Please raise my taxes.

The cartoon writers at Warner Brothers couldn't have composed a better exchange than this.

Clinton and his team of socialist-subscription salespeople are crisscrossing the nation spreading the word about the sacrifices that we must now endure.

"We are in a serious crisis (everything is a crisis to a lefty) and we need quick action," says Clinton, "so as to halt further economic decay."

Clinton's daffy followers are all foaming at the mouth in anticipation of the upper-class folks paying their fair share.

I found a classmate staring into oblivion with the look of blood-lust in

her eyes when the stick-it-to-the-rich subject arose.

She must think that all wealthy people kick back and wonder how the other half lives while the dough rolls in.

She needs to engage her brain.

I'm sure that she will when the smoke clears and the nation realizes that this economic plan is a dog and pony show, containing many pay-offs to great liberal causes. This is business as usual for the Democrats.

Now there is nothing wrong with wanting to all band together to solve our deficit woes, but I can assure you that Paris will freeze over before Congress enacts these proposed spending cuts.

Sending "big money" home to constituents makes congressmen very popular.

If they don't, they aren't re-

lected and judging by the congressional re-election rate, at 96 percent, these people must be shipping money home in boxcars.

The bottom line is that this plan will not work unless spending is substantially reduced.

Clinton has called for a reduction of one dollar of spending for every dollar collected with increased taxation, but that will only leave us in the quagmire that so many economic theoreticians believe us to be in already.

And from a historical perspective, many a promise has been made to reduce spending in exchange for tax increases, most recently the Bush 1990 tax compromise, and you see where that got us.

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Nutritious diet needed daily for great body, mind, health

Diet.

The word rules or ruins almost everyone's life. By now you have probably broken your New Year's resolution to lose weight.

Look around and you'll see plenty of overweight people and plenty who are on diets. Many are even on special diets because of medical reasons.

So now we've changed the meaning of the word diet from losing weight to a meaning we can all understand—food regularly consumed.

Food is the only thing that is going to run the machine we call our bodies—the only one we will have. You maintain your car and house because they are expensive to repair. So it is with your body when you don't take care of it with all the respect it deserves.

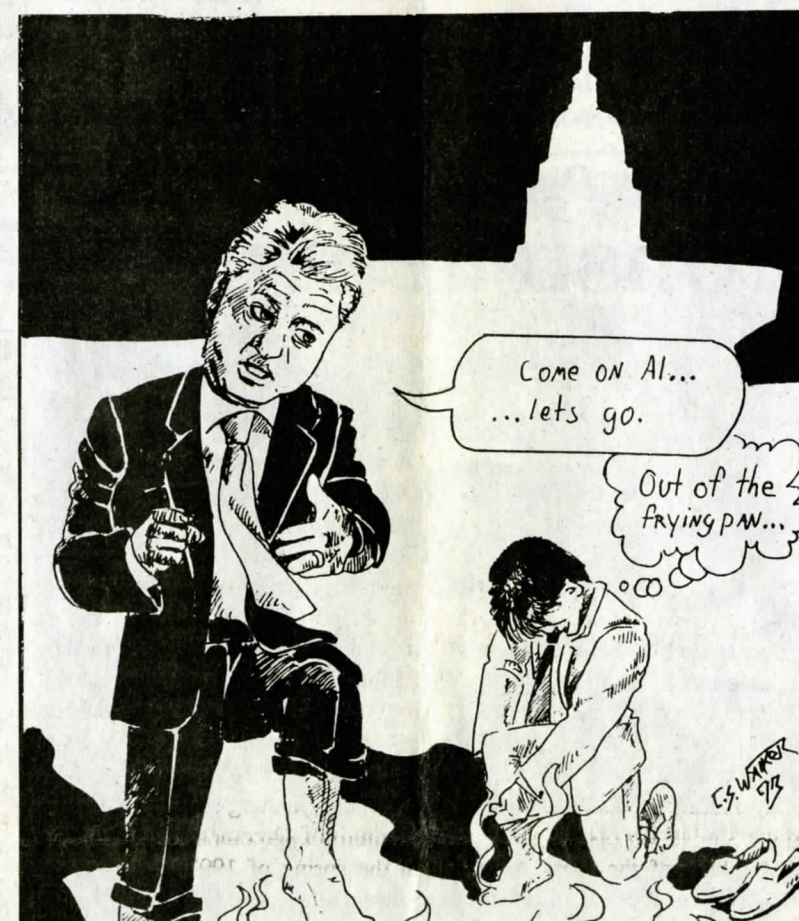
Nutrition keeps your body and mind in top repair. Without proper

Good nutrition is essential for normal organ functioning, for reproduction and maintenance. It helps the body keep a high level of activity and efficiency. Nutrition is essential for resistance to infection and disease and for the ability to repair bodily damage or injury.

Good health will provide you with a more enjoyable and energetic outlook on life. You and only you are responsible for making the effort to attain and maintain an adequate, balanced daily diet.

Think positive. Visualize a different way to approach food. Read up on nutrition and make a list of foods that have the vitamins and minerals you need. Set a goal.

Heart disease and hypertension are the leading causes of health problems today and they are directly related to the food we eat. Health care costs are rising. You can help your pocketbook and yourself by maintaining a healthy diet and a healthy



32-page "investigative report," available for \$7), Newman writes that allies of the bill will "lure teen girls to family planning and abortion clinics" and create "a multimillion-dollar sex industry" by turning Texas school children into voracious consumers of condoms, sex manuals and pornography.

Another misconception of SB 20 is that the bill is sponsored by the Adolescent Pregnancy and Parenthood Advisory Council (APPAC) or the Sex Information and Education Council of the United States (SIECUS). Senate Bill 20 is not a vehicle to enact the guidelines of either APPAC or SIECUS.

Incorrect information and fallacies about the bill shouldn't be confused with fact. And contrary to the popular belief of Newman and others, SB 20 will not turn our schools into abortion clinics or X-rated dens of iniquity.

Our state trails only California in the number of teen-age mothers, 47,000 in 1990. Of the nation's babies born to girls 14 and under, 10 percent are born right here in Texas.

We wouldn't think of sending our kids to apply for a job without basic reading, writing and math skills, but many of these same teens go on their first date without basic survival skills.

Knowledge is power, whether that knowledge comes from the parents or from a developmentally appropriate health education program in the school.

— Marsha Millikin

Correction

In the Feb. 11 Patriot, Assistant to the Director of Financial Aid Gay Bishop's name was misspelled, and she was inadvertently referred to as "he."



Nutrition keeps your body and mind in top repair. Without proper nutrition you will not achieve the best of health and well-being. Nutritional deficiencies happen when adequate amounts of essential nutrients are not provided to tissues.

costs are rising. You can help your pocketbook and yourself by maintaining a healthy diet and a healthy body.

And yes, I've been there.

Sheila McElroy is a junior journalism major from Longview. She is a staff writer for the Patriot.

Education key to unlocking welfare cycle

Although my vote was not among those cast for Bill Clinton last November, I have been impressed with



Debbie Hoover

many of the solutions to domestic problems he has proposed, especially in the area of welfare reform. As a former welfare caseworker and a former resident of government housing, I am especially sensitive to this issue.

Clinton's proposal comes close to the one I heard most often voiced by

my co-workers in the welfare office: force them to get jobs. Time restraints and limiting payments to only two children were some of the other inter-office solutions that Clinton seems to favor.

My co-workers and I had various reasons for discussing these reforms. Mine were different since I had had so many neighbors who were "career" welfare recipients. These women seemed to be as enslaved to the system as their mothers had been and, in some cases, their grandmothers.

Many of them would continue to bear children at regular intervals to remain active recipients. The abuses of the system in this area were obvi-

ous enough that my former co-workers, I'm sure, are ecstatic over elements of Clinton's proposal. They would all agree that one of these factors should overshadow all the rest: educating this potential addition to the work force.

I recently read two opinion columns on the same page in the *Dallas Morning News* that addressed these ideas. One columnist expressed the need for the Texas Legislature to turn Texas into a welfare state; one that provides state funds in addition to those already allotted at the federal level. He thinks that if the State of Texas throws more money at underprivileged youth through Aid For

Dependent Children grants, that just by giving these individuals a reasonable standard of living, their gratitude toward the government will prompt them to become more productive citizens. After seeing the system from both sides, I know that this would only continue to embitter taxpayers and recipients.

The other solution seemed more sound: spend more tax money on education. Educating these recipients would give them a more solid foundation for determining their own futures.

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Alarming experience 'violates' Saturday

AN APARTMENT COMPLEX, TYLER — A bizarre noise was heard emitting from an automobile by many people here one Saturday night. Upon



Jay Arrington

further investigation, it was determined to be a car alarm of the most obnoxious kind — "the talker."

It is a shame we are in a world where we cannot live without locking our doors at night. Basically, if you are living in a town with more than five people, you will see crime, but, I ask, is there any reason to humiliate the innocent? A few days ago, I was returning to my car after watching TV at a friend's apartment. I approached my vehicle, and prepared to unlock the door. Before I could even get my key in the lock, a glow-in-the-dark, electric green truck with stereo stickers all over its windows began to yell at me. "Warning! Step away from me now!"

I thought to myself, "Criminey, how lame. What kind of a boob ..."

Cut off in mid sentence. Bystanding at my own car door, I set off someone's car alarm, not five seconds

after I was warned.

"I have been violated! I have been violated," bellowed the day-glow truck.

Repressing the urge to place my foot inside the cab, via the side panel in the door, I opened my car door gently, not to disturb the bleating behemoth, and started my engine.

While sitting quietly, waiting for my engine to warm up, I noticed the Venetian blinds in the apartment just in front of me parting ever so slightly, and two eyes peering at me, like I was a common thief. This person was making sure that I was not actually "violating" his wheels.

After I had been scrutinized for a minute or two, a remote control slipped into the scene and the giant Jell-O mold became quiet again. Now security is a necessary evil, but this was ridiculous.

Doctors say "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure." If this statement holds true, this person could exercise a little bit of preventive medicine. Maybe it is me, but if I were a thief and saw a car that had stickers telling me just what kind of expensive goodies were on board, compared to a car that looked plain, I would break into it.

If an alarm is needed, a beeping

one works just as well in scaring off a rogue, as one that tells the world that you have committed breaking and entering. Maybe these alarms are a type of sub-conscious phallic symbol. "Mine is bigger and louder than yours so mine is definitely better."

To answer the age old question about size, I must say that the worst fears ever put into my soul had to do with small alarms. These fears may have turned my hair gray.

A major scare occurred in 1987 when my friend Jim and I were walking through a crowded parking lot one Saturday afternoon on the way to a Texas Aggie football game. There was a huge truck parked outside of our dorm, with an even bigger (and uglier) steel bumper on front.

Jim said sarcastically, "Boy. I sure would like a cool bumper like that on my truck."

To which I replied, "This one?"

I should not have touched the bumper. The sounds that followed could have deafened dogs in the next county. I set off the loudest car alarm in America with the gentlest of touches. Around 500 Aggie fans turned and saw us by the truck and yelled, "Thieves!"

Like fools, we bolted, but I guess that is the purpose of a car alarm.

There was one other experience that nearly made me wet my pants. This one happened when I was around six-years old. It was the cruelest trick anyone has played on me, and it came from my father.

He told me that to celebrate his acquisition of a new company car, he had brought me a present.

"It's on the front seat," he said, grinning, and holding back a chortle.

Excitedly, I ran to the car and yanked open the door, only to be blasted from here to yon by, you guessed it, a car alarm. And there was no gift either.

Three strikes and you are out; I won't ever own a car alarm. Theft insurance is relatively painless. No car alarm is worth the pain and annoyance that comes along with immeasurable decibels in the middle of the night.

Yes, everyone in that Tyler apartment complex knew I was leaving to the serenade of another annoying car alarm. Many a slumber or romantic Valentine's Day kiss was disturbed.

Sadly though, I shall now be known forever as the "Violator."

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Loan sessions set for March

By Cheril Sweet

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All students who have received a Stafford, Hinson-Hazelwood, Supplemental (SLS), or a Parent (PLUS) loan are required to attend an entrance and exit counseling session offered March 9 and March 10.

Tim Martinez, Texas Commerce Bank, Houston, is scheduled to conduct the sessions.

The counseling sessions will be offered at 3-3:30 p.m., 4-4:30 p.m. and 6-6:30 p.m., March 9 and 9-9:30 a.m., 10-10:30 a.m. and 11-11:30 a.m., March 10 in the University Center, Room 118.

"When the summer and fall class schedules are released in March, students should come by the financial aid office for assistance," said Gay Bishop, assistant to the director of financial aid.

Bishop said determining what kind and how much aid a student will be eligible for will be determined by the number of hours they're enrolled. She added that those students who have never received aid should come by the office now to begin filling out the paper work. Students who have previously received aid will only have one page to fill out.

Fall and summer class schedules are expected to be out in mid- to late-March.

For more information, contact the financial aid office in ADM 215 or call (903) 566-7181.



Fun in the sun...

Darin Fimple, senior theatre major, enjoys the pleasant weather and a sandwich with friend Jena Teer, senior psychology major. (Photo by Ben Champion).

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Amenities offered by University Pines include electronically controlled access gates which can be opened for guests by a telephone code the resident enters. Rooms are pre-wired for cable TV, and in each bedroom is a pre-wired computer hookup outlet which will, in the future, provide a direct link to the university computer network.

The hookup fee for telephone service will be waived; students will pay only the monthly charge for ser-

vice.

A pool, jacuzzi and sand volleyball court are also included in the plans, and apartment management and maintenance will be on site. Campus police will also patrol the complex.

Hargrove said that in addition to students, faculty and staff are eligible to live in the apartment complex.

Century Development's office is located in room 111B of the University Center and the phone number is 566-3565.

Opera class honors Jim Yancy

Between 40 and 50 members of UT Tyler's Opera Appreciation class celebrated instructor Jim Yancy's 10th anniversary at UT Tyler, as well as his birthday, with a party last Thursday evening. A banner displayed the words "Happy Birthday Maestro."

In the beginning the opera appreciation class was taught for credit. Not many people were interested in taking the class for credit, said class member Mary Burton. Most wanted to audit

the class which led to the change from a credit course to a non-credit course under Continuing Education.

The class grew in size and presently boasts a membership of approximately 60.

Sponsored by Friends of the Arts, the opera appreciation class is self-supporting. Equipment, such as a Laser Disc player, was donated by a couple in the class.

Yancy plans opera classes

around the Dallas Opera season. Through lectures and Laser Disc videos, class members get a preview of the upcoming Dallas opera before actually attending. For members who attend the Dallas opera as a class, two busses are usually chartered for the Sunday matinee. Members also attend the Shreveport opera.

Members of the class recently traveled to Santa Fe to the opera. Past tours have included the Seattle opera.

SB would allow student regent

Jim Turner, senator from Crockett, District 5, is sponsoring legislation that would allow a non-voting student to serve on the governing boards of university systems.

Senate Bill 254 would create an advisory student regent whose role would be to represent all students within each university system. The Governor would select the advisory

student regent from a list of nominations from student governments in the various university systems.

"University students can be a valuable source of information and ideas for their respective regents," Senator Turner said.

The bill is being co-sponsored in the senate by Senator Gonzalo

Barrientos of Austin and is sponsored in the House of Representatives as House Bill 95 by Representative Sherri Greenberg of Austin and Representative Steve Ogden of Bryan.

The student regent for each university system would preside over a roundtable composed of other student regent nominees from that system.

Nurses say 'Good Morning America'

By Marsha Millikin

Patriot Staff Writer

UT Tyler on Good Morning America, television's highest rated morning news program?

It could happen.

It all began with a letter to the UTT School of Nursing.

"We are a member of the National League for Nursing," said Debbie Mahoney, senior lecturer of nursing. "The League is celebrating its 100th anniversary. The letter (from

the National League for Nursing) asked the nursing students, faculty and staff to get together and video tape a 'happy birthday' message to the League.

"Since we would all be together, why not make a tape for Good Morning America?"

The idea grew, and phone calls were made.

The local ABC affiliate, KLTV, will be on campus March 8 at 3 p.m. to tape approximately 150 nursing students, faculty and staff members who

will be waking-up the country as they say, "Good morning, America."

At the same time the UTT media department plans to tape a message for the National League for Nursing.

"This will be a good opportunity for extra visibility and good publicity for UTT," said Laura Hughes, assistant to the director of public information. "We believe Channel 7 will use the tape locally. KLTV will send the tape to ABC and we hope Good Morning America will pick it up in the future."

Jacksonville College joins JBS

By Sheila McElroy

Patriot Staff Writer

Jacksonville College has signed an agreement to join the Joint Baccalaureate Studies (JBS) program with UT Tyler. Jacksonville joins three other institutions in a program that has 24 students enrolled. This program coordinates lower-division courses from junior college with upper-division courses from UTT into a baccalaureate degree program.

Kilgore College in Kilgore signed in September 1991 and was joined by Panola College in Carthage and Trinity Valley Community College in Athens.

Three additional junior colleges are in the planning stages and memorandums of agreement may be signed in the spring of 1993, according to Martha Wheat, director of admissions.

Wheat said the first student to

sign-up for the program is a graduate of Hallsville High School, and has received a scholarship from Kilgore College. If he remains qualified UTT will match the scholarship. His complete four-year degree plan has been prepared. "It is tying the two schools together as if the student were on a four-year campus," Wheat said.

According to Bill Holda, dean of admissions and registrar at Kilgore College, "Our plan is to have a loose-leaf catalog available to all counselors and advisors so that we can show a prospective student a four-year program."

Reciprocal agreements are also made between the schools so that students can use libraries, computers, have access to clubs, performances, lecture series and support services.

The interactive video is one way that links a student on the campus of Kilgore College, Panola College, Trin-

ity Valley or Jacksonville with the UTT campus classroom. Students on distant campuses are able to see and hear the instructor at UTT, can ask questions and participate in classroom discussions. The instructor is also able to see and communicate with students at any of the campus sites.

"The interactive video on campus is allowing students taking a number of courses here at Kilgore College to be concurrently enrolled and taking courses at UT Tyler," said Holda. "Not only will people come here because it is convenient locally or geographically, but more of our currently enrolled students will also be participating." Kilgore College currently sends 34 percent of its students to UTT.

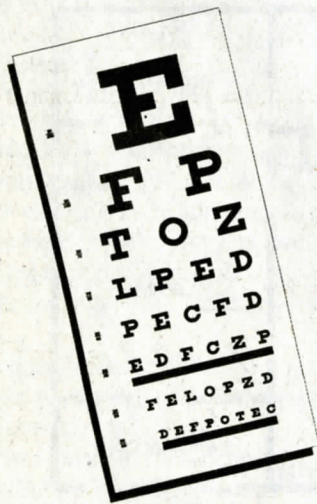
Other items being considered for the program are faculty exchanges, a common catalog, class scheduling and school calendar.

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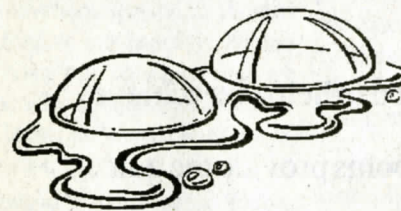
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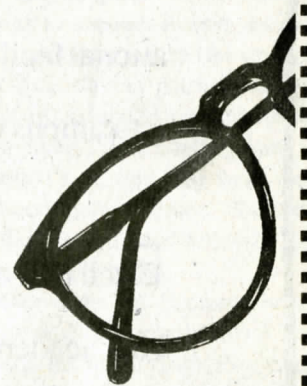
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'first Soviet production to come from a major American studio,'" Jowett said.

Movies, television programs, TV specials, and plays with themes of escape from Russia, spies, and invasion by Russia were mentioned. Jowett noted that after Stalin's death, interest in these themes diminished.

Slides of numerous other items such as magazine covers and articles, comic books, novels, a card game, and bubble gum cards were also used to demonstrate the degree to which popular culture had been influenced. One slide showed a copy of "Red Channels," the title given in 1950 to the index of 151 blacklistable actors compiled by the former FBI agents. Another showed the cover of a Mickey Spillane novel. The bubble gum cards, 50 in all, were the product of the Children's Crusade Against Communism.

"The role of popular culture in going through the process of altering perceptions and cognitions gives the propagandist the opportunity to present a message is one that is only now being realized. People have always been concerned about how easily popular culture can be used for propaganda purposes," he concluded.

O'Donnell focused on propaganda from the Reagan era to the present, primarily in movies. She cited sources from her research who state that modern popular culture has blurred the distinction between history and fiction presented in movies. She opened her portion of the program with an anecdote describing how a debate team from Russia was received at North Texas State University in 1985.

She said the American students were surprised to find the Russians' appearance and interests to be so similar to those of Americans. "Before the debate we were told that they would be accompanied by someone from the 'student council.' In the Soviet Union, this council, instead of being a form of student government as we have on campuses here, is a person who is appointed by the government to escort students and make sure they re-

Later in the visit she had an opportunity to question the escort about television programming in the Soviet Union. He told her that American movies were being shown there and that even "Red Dawn," a movie showing the United States being successfully invaded by the Soviet Union, had been aired. "We laughed at it," he said contemptuously. I thought this was very interesting that he was so defensive about this movie that we made," she remarked.

"I think if he laughed at it, I'm not altogether sure we did, because after all of these years of indoctrination through the popular culture, Americans had gotten accustomed to a fear of the Soviet Union." She stressed the impact movies have on the behavior of Americans. "Movies tend to present a single set of values, or principles, or way of thinking," she said.

"These are idealized versions or visions of life that can sway our thinking, and our history, in subtly ways, especially when this is the only way the information is viewed." She cited Jennifer Beal's torn sweatshirts from "Flashdance," Clark Gable's appearance without an undershirt in "It Happened One Night," and a change in youthful speech patterns from watching Bart Simpson as examples of this phenomenon.

Although her focus during the lecture was on the period following the fall of the Soviet Union, she stated a need to mention the years prior to Ronald Reagan's presidency since these were very important in showing how film has shaped or propagandized America's image of the Soviet Union. "Some of my students are young enough that their only knowledge of the war in Vietnam is from movies like 'Platoon' or 'Full Metal Jacket,'" she said.

O'Donnell explained that the 1970s were years which were characterized by defeat in Vietnam, El Salvador, Guatemala, and the hostage crisis in Iran: "... a time when every American loss was interpreted as a victory for the Soviet Union." The Reagan Administration ushered in a new Cold War where the Soviet Union

derived from the "Star Wars" movie series.

"The Soviet Union was being portrayed as the locus of evil in the modern world," she continued. This attitude began to soften during Reagan's second term as President, after Mikhail Gorbachev gained control and began to make the changes which led to the collapse of Communism. Scenes from "The Hunt for the Red October," "Red Heat," and "Company Business," and the television program, "Northern Exposure" were presented as examples of this change.

She remarked that she was especially moved by the changes that have taken place in Eastern Europe since she had lived there when the Berlin wall was erected. "Not only has the shape of the map of Europe changed, but also the shape of contemporary American representation of the people who live there. The anti-Sovietism that characterized so much of the Reagan era contrasts sharply with the much more tolerant theme that is typified in real life by American aid to Russia and by the representation of them in movies."

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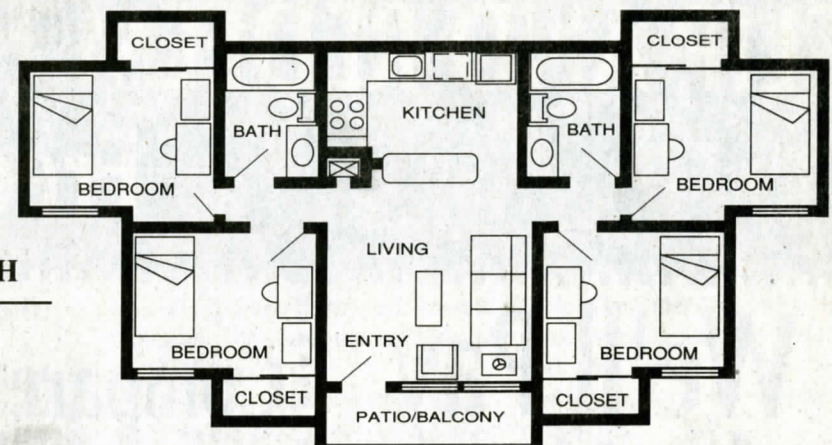
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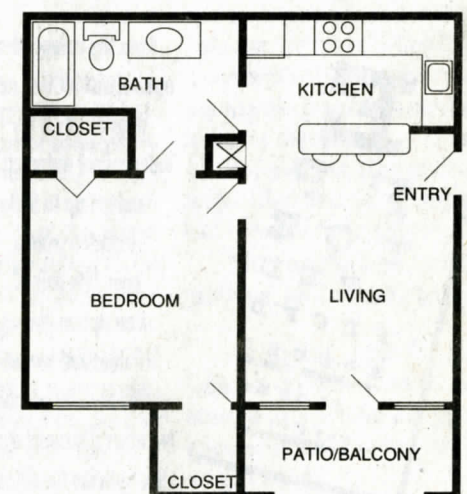
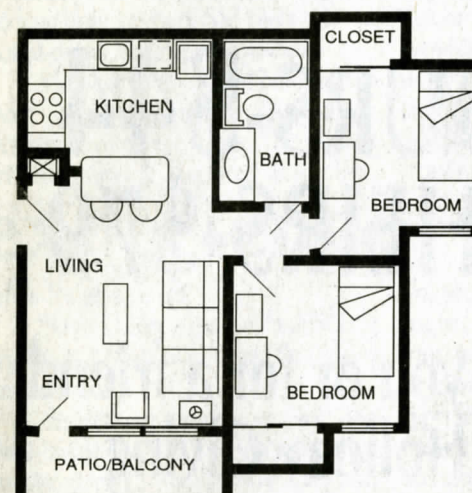
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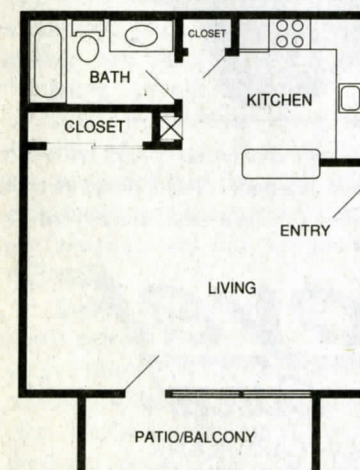
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