

SOON TO BE READY for student use is the new UTD Student Union, located along the south campus mall directly south of Founders Building and west of McDermott Library. The two-story building contains approximately 28,800 gross square feet. The first level will include the lobby and a coffeehouse. On the second level will be

offices for student activities functions, student congress, student newspaper, a lounge, game rooms, a meeting room, work areas and television rooms. Occupancy of the \$2.3 million building is expected in four to six weeks.

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Computer-oriented UTD gets three new ones

50 terminals to be added on campus

Acquisition of three new state-of-the art computers, peripheral equipment and related software for use by students and faculty and for administrative units has just been completed by UTD.

The university has purchased \$1,207,000 in computer equipment for use both on the campus and at the UT System Regional Computer Center in Dallas. The first computer, an IBM 4341, already has been installed at the regional center, and remaining equipment will be installed upon arrival during the year.

Joe Andrews, UTD's director of information systems, said UTD has purchased two IBM 4341 computers for use in the regional computer center and a DEC VAX 11/780 for the UTD computer center. The 4341's will be used for both academic and administrative purposes, while the 11/780, costing \$220,000, will be used for academic purposes, especially in the physics areas.

Included in the new equipment are new disk drives, costing \$333,000 and six high speed tape drives, costing

Government Career Info Day slated

Government Career Information Day will be held Tuesday, Jan. 13, from 2-7 p.m. in the Green Lobby.

Sponsored by UTD's Placement Services Offices, the event will bring state, tederal and local government officials to the campus to discuss careers with interested students.

\$102,000, from the Storage Technology Corporation. Also included in the purchase is an IBM communications controller.

Dr. John Wiorkowski, assistant to the vice president for academic affairs, said he helped select the new equipment in order to ensure all academic needs would be met. He said 50 new terminals will be added to eight already in use on campus, and all will be placed in a new computer facility to be located on the first floor of the Jonsson building on campus. The terminals, which will include 35 cathode ray tubes and 15 decwriters, will provide 40 direct links to the new computers in the regional center. and 10 dial up type links to any of the university's computers. The computer area on campus will be open at the beginning of spring semester, he said, and should be fully operational by March.

The new computers in the regional center also will be available for use by the UT Health Science Center at Dallas, UT Permian Basin, UT Health Center at Tyler and UT Arlington. All users will contribute to the cost of the computer operation.

The 4341's, costing \$276,000 apiece, each have four million bytes of main memory and six channels which may be used for communication with peripheral devices such as disks, tapes, printers and readers. Each channel has a transfer rate of two million bytes per second. The 4341 is approximately 1.6 times faster than the IBM 370/155 currently in use.

The additional disk is the equivalent of (28) 3350 disk drives and has an online storage capability of 8,890,000,000 bytes of storage. The 3705 Communica-

tions Controller also has more than 84 low speed lines (up to 1,200 bits per second each line) and up to 40 high speed lines (up to 56,000 bits per second each line) and, coupled with the current-

ly installed 3705, will give the students, faculty and administrators the ability to communicate with the new computers.

The high speed tape drives all are dual (See FACILITIES on p.2)



THE FOLGER CONSORT, an early music ensemble based at Washington, D.C.'s Folger Shakespeare Library, will present a free concert of English and French Medieval and Renaissance music at 8:15 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 20 in Jonsson Performance Hall. Members of the consort are (I-r) Robert Eisenstein, who plays viols; Christopher Kendall, lute; soprano Ann Monoylos, hurdy-gurdy; and Scott Reiss, recorders. (Related story on page 4)

Facilities match population

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density. Five are 1600/6250 bits per inch of tape; one is 800/1600 bits per inch. All have a rated tape speed of 200 inches per second. The tapes will be used for compact offline (vault) storage of large files and for "backup" of the disks.

Andrews said UTD was replacing the 370/155 it previously owned and housed in the regional center because "it is running at capacity nearly 24 hours a day. The use of our new system will allow us to move into a more state-of-the-art software technology; i.e., virtual systems, which allow many users to share the available resources simultaneously.

Wiorkowski said the university's rapid growth since it opened to juniors and seniors in the fall, 1975, after having only graduate students for six years. hampered efforts to keep computer facilities in line with student population.

"We're a computer-oriented campus for both research and instruction," he said. "We plan to go to interactive computing in about a year."



"ALL THAT SPACE is a meeting room," Ann Harris, Student Activities Director, told Student Congress vice-president Mark Mooring during a recent tour of the new Student Union. Student Congress offices as well as other Student Activities and Student Services functions will be centered in the building when it opens in a few weeks. (Photo by Wade Jones)

Room finding is educational

Where is Green's 1st level?

By DEBBIE CARLTON

In our world of academia here at UTD, we are broadening our horizons and cultivating the seeds within our minds in order to successfully reach our goals out in the real world. With our degrees tucked neatly under our arms, we walk through the golden door to conquer.

But before we reach that golden door, we must be able to overcome certain obstacles that stand in our way. From our first day at UTD until the last, we are constantly asking questions and searching far and wide for the appropriate answers. But I discovered that there is one question that has no answer.

Before I came to UTD, a lot of friends and strangers told me it wasn't going to be easy. As a matter of fact, I was told that this school was commonly known as "Harvard on the Creek." I was prepared to meet my match. I searched deep inside myself to find all the self-

confidence I had, dusted it off and marched onto the campus for my very first class

I glanced at my schedule to find out where my first class was going to be. Let's see, Business Law at 8 a.m. in GR3.406. I located Green in no time and proceeded to the third floor at approximately 7:45 a.m. I went up exactly three flights of stairs and found myself walking around on the fourth floor.

Could it be that the mint julep I had sipped out on the veranda the night before was finally taking effect?

Now I know I climbed three flights of stairs. That's something you don't easily forget that early in the morning, so I pounced on an unsuspecting janitor and inquired as to the location of the third floor of Green might be. I was kindly told that it was one floor down.

Well, I'll be a monkey's uncle. Green doesn't have a first floor! I finally found the right floor in the right building. Now

all I needed was the right room, 406. I knew this school was going to be tough but did they have to mix up both the floors and the room numbers just to prove it?

After 10 minutes of walking through corridors and searching for anything that remotely looked like a four hundred number, I was at last rewarded with success. Looking for my other classrooms also involved the same hit-andmiss technique, and until I got acclimated I just allowed myself lots of extra time to find the right room on the right floor in the right building.

The following semester I solved all my problems by scheduling all my classes in the same room. I was always able to find my classroom but boy did I have a strange looking degree plan!

This all took place two years ago. Even though I know my way around here, I have yet to figure out who stole the first floor of Green.

Hey, would anyone like to hear about my first trip to the computer room?

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Debbie eventually got it all together, at least enough to graduate Jan. 10. Congratulations, Debbie, and good luck.)

DTC slates two special productions

Internationally famed personalities Martha Schlamme and Alvin Epstein will sing the Broadway and Berlin songs of Kurt Weill's Cabaret, at the Dallas Theatre Center Jan. 18-19 in special 8 p.m. performances.

Following this event on Jan. 25 and 26 will be the C. Bernard written and produced play lago, coming from the inner City Cultural Center in Los Angeles.

Sell-out crowds are expected. Call the DTC Box Office at 526-8210 for tickets and reservations.

NY critic praises work by Rodriguet

"Very well made" and "solidly interes ing" were just two of the comments New York Times music critic Raymon Ericson in his review of a work by UT composer Robert Xavier Rodriguez.

The piece, Trio No. 1, was perform for the first time in New York at the Abraham Goodman House by Voice Change, an instrumental quintet con posed of professional musicians a teachers from the Dallas area. It is all the resident ensemble of the Meador School of the Arts at SMU.

The trio was completed in 1971 a was awarded the Prix de Compositi Prince Pierre de Monaco.

According to the critic, the "trio piano, violin and cello is in a conte porary orthodox style, very well ma and doing the right things in terms change of pace, texture and tempo. It solidly interesting, but is really imaging tive only in the final section, where winds down quietly in repetitive figu tions."

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Baseball, tennis teams AIESEC seeks members ow being organized

Spring sports competition for UT-Dallas will open Feb. 19 and the first baseball practice session has been scheduled for Thursday, Jan. 15, at 2 p.m.

Men's and women's tennis teams will meet Brookhaven College on the UTD courts in the opener. Baseball will get underway Feb. 26, with a single game at Mountain View College.

Betsy Henderson will coach women's tennis in a 20-match mason and Wayne Cowan will be baseball coach for the third year. Thirteen dates are on the baseball card, all listed as doubleheaders (seven innings) except the opener.

Home tennis matches will be

on the UTD courts, but the three "home" baseball dates will be at Churchill Park, one block east of Hillcrest Road and two blocks south of LBJ Freeway (IH635).

The schedules: BASEBALL

Feb. 26, at Mountain View March 3, at Cedar Valley March 5, Brookhaven (home)

(Spring Break, March 9-14) March 19, at Brookhaven March 20, at Midwestern March 26, at Dallas Christian March 31, at University of Dallas April 2, at Bishop College April 6, Northwood Institute (home)

April 8, North Texas State Univ. (home)

Police are here to help students

someone who is, the University Police Department has an emergency phone number so you can get help. It is 690-2020. Report all criminal and traffic offenses which occur on university property to this number.

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call knows where you are," said a police spokesman. "Too many times there are schedule changes and room changes that we are not aware of," he continued.

The spokesman went on to say that only emergency messages such as a death in the family, an accident or illness, will be conveyed.

April 16, at Northwood Institute April 18, at Arlington Baptist,

Vandergriff Park April 21, at North Texas State **TENNIS**

Feb. 19, Brookhaven (home) Feb. 23, Eastfield (home)

Feb. 24, at Weatherford JC

Feb. 26, at Richland

March 3, Austin College (home) March 5, Tarrant County South, (home)

March 6, Southwestern (home) (Spring Break, March 9-14) March 19, at Southwestern,

Georgetown March 20, Richland (home) March 24, at Tarrant County South

March 27, Mary Hardin Baylor, (home)

March 31, Weatherford JC (home)

April 1, at Eastfield April 3, at UT-Arlington

April 8, at Mary Hardin Baylor,

April 9, at St. Mary's, San Antonio April 10, at Our Lady of the

Lake, San Antonio April 11, at St. Edward's, Austin April 13, UT-Arlington (home) April 15, at Austin College,

Sherman

To sign up to play on these teams, contact the Sports and Recreation Office in MC3.230 or call 690-2096.

for third year here

This semester, AIESEC, the French acronym for International Association of Students in Economics and Business Management, will begin its third year at UTD.

The organization uses a sys-

tem of exchanging traineeships which allows U.S. students to work abroad.

Anyone interested in joining this organization at UTD should contact Roger Hudson at 823-5170 or Ann Gilbert at 231-1941.

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CEC slates info meeting on Jan. 20

An informal meeting with refreshments has been scheduled for Tuesday, Jan. 20, at 4 p.m. by the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC). It will be held in the fourth level lecture pit in the Green building.

Purpose of the CEC is to inform both students and professionals involved in helping exceptional children in all aspects of their lives, and to give students an opportunity for practical experience in their particular field of interest.

During the week of Jan. 12-16, information and application materials for CEC will be distributed to classes with Human Development programs.

Film Society will screen four movies

UTD Film Society during the next two weeks include Madja's Generation on Jan. 14, Maloux' Fantastic Planet on Jan. 16. DeSica's Miracle in Milan on Jan. 21, and Bogdanovich's Saint Jack on Jan. 23. Films are screened at 7:30

and 9:30 p.m. in Founders North Auditorium. UTD students with validated ID cards are admitted for 50 cents, those under 18 and over 64 are charged \$1, and regular admission is \$2.

MEMBERS OF THE STUDENT ACTIVITIES Advisory Board were among those who toured the Student Union which is nearing completion. Apparently happy with what they saw are (i-r) Mark Mooring, Student Congress vice-president; Ellen Kugler, Student Development Specialist; Sherry Allen; Greg Umberson; Sally Nance, student newspaper editor; and Rebecca Stringer, Mercury staff writer. (Photo by Wade Jones)

Renowned Folger Consort to play early music here

An evening of French and English Medieval and Renaissance music will be given here Tuesday evening, Jan. 20, by the Folger Consort, the early music ensemble from Washington, D.C.'s Folger Shakespeare Library. Scheduled to begin at 8:15 p.m. in Jonsson Performance Hall, the concert will be presented at no charge.

The Folger Consort is an ensemble of professional musicians drawn from a broad background of orchestral, solo, chamber music and scholarly experience whose goal is to provide a vivid sense of the vitality and universal appeal of Medieval and Renaissance music. The consort is in residence at the Folger Shakespeare Library, performing regularly in the library's unique Elizabethan Theatre.

The program will open with five Songs of the Troubadours and Trouveres by Giraut de Bornelh, Gaucelm Faidit, Thibaut (Roi de Navarre), Raimbaut de Vaqueras and an unknown 13th century trouvere. These songs will be followed by five samples of early 17th century French Court Music by Michael Praetorius, Joachim Thibaut de Courville and Jean Planson.

The second half of the concert will consist of Seven Songs of Love by the 13th century composer Martin Codax, five pieces of Medieval English music by anonymous composers, and will conclude with five songs representative of Elizabethan and Jacobean music by Thomas Morley, Giovanni Cooperario, Tobias Hume and another anonymous composer.

Members of the consort are Robert Eisenstein, who will play vielle, lute, recorder and viol; Christopher Kendall, lute, mandola and harp; Scott Reiss, recorders, psaltery and percussion; and soprano Ann Monoyios who also plays the hurdy-

gurdy. The concert at UTD is supported by a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts. January 25, 1823 - Edward Jenner, conqueror of smallpox,

Bronze Age slides, talk set by A&H

Ritual vessels now on display in "The Great Bronze Age of China" exhibit at Fort Worth's Kimbell Art Museum will be the topic of Dr. Judith Whitbeck's slide presentation and lecture Monday, Jan. 19 at 12:30 p.m. iii JO4.102.

Dr. Whitbeck will show slides and discuss the historical back ground and cultural context of the vessels and the trend which are revealed in them and in the life-size clay figures from the burial mound of the fin emperor of China.

The presentation is spo sored by the College of Arts a Humanities.

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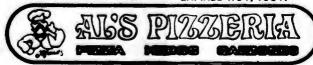
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To find out more about the positions available as an Air Force officer, schedule an appointment at your Placement Office prior to Jan. 15. This personal interview will acquaint you with the opportunities and rewards of a career with the Air Force. We offer challenging and rewarding work in an executive position, 30 days of vacation with pay and ABOVE AVERAGE STARTING SALARY.