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Cash among Student Congress topics

By CHUCK SUTLIVE

Students in need of a shortterm loan may have a new source of assistance soon thanks to action taken by the **UTD Student Congress during** their meeting last Wednesday. Vice President Peat Alford brought the matter before the group, noting that the university Financial Aid office was low on funds for such loans and a second source would be needed. Alford said that the Veterans Services Organization on campus offers short-term loans, but recipients must be veterans.

Alford suggested the loans be "... something like a 30 or 45-day loan; a maximum of say 50 to 150 dollars." Members voted unanimously to send the idea to the budget and student services committees, who will meet with the financial aid department and work out a proposal for the loan system. The proposal is to be presented at the next Student Congress meeting.

The recurring question of a course evaluation program arose at Wednesday's meeting. Dan Adams, graduate representative from the College of Natural Sciences and Math noted, "There's been discuss-

ion of course evaluation. I'd like to work on that... I'd like to kind of throw it out and find out if I can get moving on it. I know where we can acquire forms. I know where we can acquire software that will work on our system with a minimum of effort. Mr. Bassett (Secretary Larry Bassett) gave me the name of someone I know indirectly who would like to work on this and I'm certainly open to anything else. But I'd like to be in a position to start moving."

Congress President Kimbell Smith hit the ball back into Adams' court, suggesting that Adams, "go ahead and go forward with that; work with Larry . . . and get it organized and get information which we can get evaluated and then turn over to Student Services. They'll make a report to the whole student congress, and we can vote at that time."

The remainder of the meeting agenda consisted of items which, while not earth-shaking, were matters which needed attention.

For example, members went

For example, members went into the meeting as members of the Student Congress. During the course of the meeting,



Photo by Dean Washington

Newly elected Student Congress representatives, front row (L-R) Melissa White, Mike Udoessien, Mahbub Hussain, Greg Hansen, David Smith, middle (L-R) Randy Spears, Bharat Pema, Sharon Nelson, Dipak Jain, Dan Adams, back (L-R) Bill Stolberg, Larry Bassett, Peat Alford (vp), Kimbell Smith (pres.), Richard Yeager. Not pictured: Susan Rybak, Frank Clement.

however, it was suggested that the name of the group be changed to Student Senate to conform with the more common labeling of such student governments.

Representatives supporting the name change said the group should be called Senate since a set number or representatives were chosen from each school, regardless of the number of students enrolled in that school. It was argued that membership in a Student Congress should be based on the size of each college, with schools with more students having more representatives.

Others questioned whether the change would be worth the effort since it would involve revising the constitution. A preliminary vote passed 13-2, but the matter is officially delayed for 30 days. If 3/4 of the members again vote in favor, the matter will be put before the student body in a referendum.

Other items discussed included:

 Informing newly elected members that, as promised by

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See Social Club

Revised mission statement presented by Rutford

On Friday, Sept. 23 Dr. Robert H. Rutford, UTD president, presented a revised statement of mission for UTD 1984-1991. The following general statement was developed to incorporate comments received from students, administration and faculty following the publication of a proposed plan in UTD Mercury's Aug. 22 issue.

Of the six goals outlined at that time, all remain as published except Item 6 which read "Assist local public officials in resolving the issue of the lack of college-level freshman and sophomore educational opportunities in Collin County." This item has been deleted from the Strategic Plan.

General Statement

Justice Frankfurter once described "the four essential freedoms of a university—to determine for itself on academic grounds who may teach, what may be taught, how it should be taught, and who may be admitted to study". U.T. Dallas believes, as did Justice Frankfurter, in the importance of the preservation of these basic freedoms.

U. T. Dallas also believes the purpose of any university is the advancement of knowledge and the education of its students, and that the quality of a university is inextricably linked to how well it accomplishes these purposes.

A desire for effectiveness in "willing" the future of U. T. Dallas necessitates a mission statement which explicitly

acknowledges commitment to the basic purposes of a university and also serves as a guide for action.

UTD has a short but increasingly distinguished record in the conduct of its research and educational programs, the placement of its graduates, and its identity and reputation as a high quality institution. We intend to continue to practice the ways that earned this reputation.

In addition, The University of Texas at Dallas' destiny is inextricably linked with the fortune of the Dallas metropolitan area and believes a partnership with the knowledge-based businesses and industries of this area will enhance the University's opportunity to become the first-class institution it aspires to be.

With these principles in mind,

the following mission statement to guide the University in charting its willed future was prepared.

Mission Statement

The principal mission of The University of Texas at Dallas is to be responsive to the educational and research needs of the nation as exemplified by the technologically-sophisticated and managerially-intensive business and industry in the Dallas metropolitan area.

UTD's mission includes providing broad, high-quality undergraduate and graduate educational opportunities for young persons and non-traditional students, as well as providing lifelong educational opportunities for employed individuals in fields and

disciplines with a rapidly changing knowledge base.

A special portion of the mission of UTD is the provision of clinical services, educational services, cultural and social activities, and the conduct of research to serve the needs of those with communication disorders.

The University of Texas at Dallas is a distinctive graduate institution of substantial quality. UTD is distinctive in that it has defined its principal mission, designed its programs, and assembled its faculty with an aim toward the conduct of graduate education and research to meet the needs of non-academic markets as well as to continue to enhance its national academic reputation by the placement of its doctoral graduates at major universities.

J.W.'s Jabber Wocky

At last, some controversy on the campus at UTD. Is it Congress or Senate? Or should it be Association, or Assembly, or better still Council? Of course I'm referring to the "name change" constitutional amendment now before the UTD Student Congress.

Some members are of the opinion that the name congress implies that each school on campus has proportional representation. They feel the name senate is more appropriate because it indicates equal participation by each school.

However, we all know that is not the case as several schools have no graduate representatives at all. Furthermore, the names congress and senate give the impression of governance; the capacity of Student Congress to govern is minimal to say the least.

Perhaps the organizations' name is important, but let's get serious. There are issues of greater concern to the students whom you represent.

One representative brought up the topic of developing teacher and course evaluations, an issue that has received a good deal of talk and no action in the last few years. This member seemed eager to get on with it, but the question was passed over without any discussion by the other reps.

It may be early in the school year, but the time is now to get the Student Senate (hereafter called SS) moving in a positive direction.

Get in touch with the students! Find out what they feel is important and then go to work on those concerns. They won't always come to you with questions and suggestions, but our student body has strong feelings regarding campus issues.

On a lighter note—Creativa, UTD's new literary journal, is still able to accept contributions from campus writers until Oct. 14. There is also a need for line art to illustrate stories already submitted.

Nice to see those UTD students making good, isn't it? Graduate student Bruce Huther is suited up (again) and helping the Cowboys along in their quest to remain unbeaten.

Take notice of the newest club on campus, The Cheyenne Social Club. No, it's not the latest movie over at Polykarp. They want to put the party back in your spare time. You say you have no spare

time?; then you're taking life too seriously. Knock it off!

And finally, for those of you who have been letting life take precedence over your classes... Oct. 24 is the last date to drop and still receive a W!

J.W. (BUDDY) GIBSON IV

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Computers on campus

By SCOTT PERDUE

Computer literacy is a buzzword of the eighties; the problem is that to be computer literate you must know how to use a computer. As funny as that sounds they do not mean the same thing.

On the one hand you must understand the power of the computer in our daily lives, and on the other you need to know how to actually use a computer. To learn how to use a computer you must have access to one, to make mistakes, to learn and to grow. The problem of computer literacy is one of the most compelling and frightening "Catch-22's" of our decade. The problem of access grows as more and more people become involved, taxing the available facilities beyond their capacity. University administration and faculty are trying to solve this access problem for UTD students.

Computing capability on campus first became available approximately ten years ago when the area University of Texas affiliates formed a joint venture called the University of Texas Regional Computing Center (UTRCC). One IBM 370/158 computer was shared by the three schools (later to include UT-Tyler and UT-Permian Basin).

The program has been very successful within the limits imposed by funds. It is funding problems, however, that now require a new solution to the computing problem. Paradoxically, these problems will enable UTD to build computer facilities that can come closer to meeting the needs of the

Housing, roommate assistance offered

UTD's Student Government encourages students to utilize its Housing/Roommate Assistance service. Updated files are available for review at the Student Government office in SU 2.102.

Mercury deadlines

The next issue is scheduled for Monday, Oct. 24. Deadline for news, advertising, and other information is Thursday, Oct. 13.

To submit material for publication, visit the Mercury office in SU2.108, or call (690) 2286. school and its students.

The UTD campus has remote access through the Academic Computer Center (ACC) to an IBM 4341 located adjacent to the UT Health Science Center on Harry Hines Blvd. This summer UTD converted from the obsolete operating system MVT to the VS1 system (a more capable version of MVT, but not state of the art).

Still more changes will occur in the next few months. Twenty IBM personal computers and approximately 40 TI PC's will be distributed throughout the departments on campus for use by students, faculty, and administration. Additionally, the ACC will prepare for the next major phase of change, installation of a mainframe computer on campus, expected at the end of the spring semester. All these changes demonstrate the transition of academic computing on campus from a lethargic to an active role, a transition that is desperately needed if UTD is to become a university of the first

Other problems are perhaps not getting the proper amount of attention. Approximately 30

percent of UTD students are taking computer science courses, and every department is asking for more computer time. Computer use is not limited to students and administrative activities; faculty and researchers need time. The majority of experiments done today in all walks of science are simulated by a computer before they are performed in a laboratory. UTD ranks third in the state, behind UT-Austin and Texas A&M, in the size of its research activity, therefore it is in our interest to improve our computing capacity in order to stay competitve.

Improving capacity is a project that we cannot entrust to the administration and Texas legislature alone. All too often in the past each has paid lip service to problems by promising action and then referring the matter to a committee where nothing is done. In the area of computing, doing nothing is the same as going backward. The Universitys' six-year plan recognizes the computer problem and is a step in the right direction; however, more remains to be

<u>**Ietters**</u>

Scott Perdue's commentary on the Soviet murder of the 269 people on the Korean airliner was an excellent piece of Journalism. He raised some points, though, that need further discussion, as do recent developments. So . . .

On top of the absurdity of suggesting that it was a spy plane, the Soviets added the statement their pilots were wrong to have shot down the plane, "even though it was a spy plane." Don't take that as an admission of guilt; that statement was meant to make you forget that the Soviet pilots had to obtain clearance to launch their missiles, and how little concern Moscow had for the lives of the 269 passengers.

But the, yes, bullshit coming from the White House is past absurd, to revolting.

Why in this, the freest, and only moral, nation in history, do our leaders respond to the Soviet's irrational brutality (not just the Korean airliner incident, but the whole of Soviet Russia's history), not with moral revulsion and any kind of significant action, but with meaningless rhetoric and arguments for diplomacy as usual?

The answer is this; a nation's politicians and journalists are the agents and spokesmen for that nation's intellectuals. Today, there are no intellectuals to stand up for the principles necessary to condemn the Soviet Union, the ones this country was based on.

This country was founded on a philosophy of rationality and individualism, and the political corollary, liberty. But the intellectuals never adequately identified the meaning of those terms and the foundation crumbled. Thus, America was left unarmed to answer the Soviet's blood-chilling code that man must sacrifice himself to the state.

I don't know Scott Perdue, and haven't read his articles before, so I don't know if I would agree with all his ideas (though I think I might agree with many of them), or if he would agree with mine. But I do agree with him on what the first step out of our national malaise must be, so I will take it.

By BART MOSLEY

If you need help locating a position, or you just want to sit down and discuss your future, Mrs. Jerry C. Moore, Director of Placement, is more than willing to discuss your situation on an individual basis. In conjunction with personalized attention, the Service has a vast amount of resources available for your use. The Placement Library contains career information in the form of video discs, brochures, cassette tapes, and books. For more information. you may contact Diana Ilami, Career Counselor or June Ascherin, Placement Secretary in the McDermott Library 1.408, Telephone: (690)2943.

New career opportunities are coming in every day. Be sure to check by the Placement Service Office and establish your credentials file by registering with the Placement Service. Check by the office on a periodic basis for the current listings.

Fall interviews are continuing on-campus. The schedule for the next two weeks is as follows:

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Republicans to hear Jim Jackson

One of the newest and fastest growing organizations on campus is the College Republicans.

Starting a new organization is not easy, but forming a political group is even more difficult since the membership is limited to those who have similar political views, explained Sharon Jeffress, president of the new group.

"Our early goal is mainly to get as many people as possible to join so that we can build a stable membership. We were very pleased with the attendance at our first meeting. The hardest part is trying to overcome the apathy on campus toward a political organization," said Ms. Jeffress.

When the Republican

National Convention is held next year, the eyes of the nation focus on Dallas. The College Republicans plans to be an integral part of the convention, with many members helping in the organizational phase and other involved in the convention itself.

Members will also be busy helping Dallas area Republicans prepare for the 1984 presidential elections, with the ultimate goal of keeping a Republican in the White House.

County Commissioner Jim Jackson will speak at the next meeting, Friday, Oct. 14. The group meets in Green Center, 6:30-8 p.m. Wine and cheese will be served, and everyone with a motivation to help the Republican party is invited to



Officers for College Republicans at UTD, front row (L-R) Cindi Moore, Sharon Jeffress, Kit Hardy; back row (L-R) Brian Hayes, Mike Mills. Ted Gebhardt.

Student research noted

Four research proposals submitted from UTD were among the 17 proposals that were awarded industry grants by the Geological Society of America.

UTD was the only university to receive more than one award. The grants averaged \$663 and were recommended for the following proposals.

Yen-Nien Cheng, for "Biostratigraphic Investigations of Late Paleozoic-Meramecian (Late Mississippian) and Wolfcampian (Early Permian) Radiolaria in the Southern Buck Mountains, White Pine County, Nevada"

Anthony Sprague, for "A Submatine Fan Depositonal Model for the Lower Member of the Atoka Formation (Pennsylvania), Ouachita Mountains, Arkansas and Oklahoma."

Norman MacLeod, for "Macro-evolutionary Studies of the Mesozoic Radiolarian Families Pantanellidae and Parvicingulidae."

Manuel Valenzuela, for "Paleogeographic Studies in the Cambrian Terrane of NW Sonora, Mexico."

Commentary

Women, men and money: Going Dutch is a treat for both (If you let it be)

Discovery: Part of male dominance has been that they had the dollars to spend for fancy restaurants, first-run movies, clubs, etc. This gave men several opportunities that women lacked. Up until about five years ago, men always called to ask for a date, and they expected to pay for it. They also sometimes expected something more for their money! Even if they didn't have a date, since their earning power has historically been greater, they could afford to go out with their friends to expensive places more frequently than women could. Then there's the old double standard about women out alone or in pairs (the myth that they always want to be picked

When women began courting men, in their way, the time to pay the tab became an awkward ordeal—no one knew quite how to act. The woman was trying to assert her independence while a man's pride was at stake-he thought. Perhaps this was due in part to a woman actually trying to take a man's place, in paying for the evening's activities. That is why going dutch-and agreeing on it. beforehand-would solve this particular problem.

It seems inequitable for men always to have to pay for women, unlikely that women (especially students like us!) would want to or be able to pay for men, but if each pays for his or her own share, not only do we all get to go out more and feel comfortable communicating, but also the whole notion of social/sexual obligations no longer are a problem.

Additionally, and quite importantly, women can have what they want when they go out, instead of worrying that it might be too expensive, which gives us more control of our own lives. Almost everyone works hard for money and, of course, has the right to spend it any way he or she chooses, but it seems unfortunate that so many people stay home alone, men and women, because of finances or reluctance to enter this new arrangement and new era of communication. I think it will be up to women to implement this Dutch-treat policy on a large scale for a while until we become accustomed to this new freedom.

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Special Services

The offices of the adviser for minorities, veterans, handicapped and international students have been moved to the basement level of McDermott Library, room 1.406. Call (690) 2098 for more information.

Baha'i Club

During October, the Baha'i Club will sponsor two events. On Oct. 11 from 5 to 6pm, there will be a discussion on "General Principles of the Baha'i Faith." On Oct. 24, United Nations Day, there will be a presentation on the international family of man at 7:30pm. Refreshments will be served at each meeting. All interested persons are cordially invited to attend.

UTD Accounting Honor Society

Initiation of new members will be held Sunday, Oct. 23 at 6:30 p.m. at the Richardson Hilton, Bill Evans of Diamond Shamrock will be the quest speaker. Confirmations hould be in the AHS mailbox by Oct.

University Fraternity Organization

An organizational meeting of the U.F.O. will be held Thursday, Oct. 13, 1 p.m. in SU 2.304. All interested students are encouraged to attend. If you have questions about the organization or the meeting, call Student Activities (690)2945.

Theater

The stage version of "Spoon River Anthology", a classic portrait of small-town America in an earlier day, will conclude this weekend.

Performances will be in University Theater on the UTD campus on Friday, Oct. 14 at 8:15 p.m., Saturday, Oc. 15 at 5 and 8:30 p.m., and Sunday, Oct. 16 at 3 p.m.

Tickets will be \$5 for adults. and \$3 for children, senior citizens, and UTD students. To reserve tickets, call UTD's theater box office at (690)2983.

Exhibits

Photographs and postal and aviation materials related to exploration of the Earth's polar regions are on display, through Oct. 31, in the Special Collections area, third floor, McDermott Library. The photographs were provided by Dr. Robert H. Rutford, UTD president, who has been active in polar science and exploration since 1959 when he made the first of nine trips to Antarctica as a graduate student at the University of Minnesota. As director of the National Science Foundation's Division of Polar Programs from 1975-77, he was in charge of all U.S. scientific activities both in the Arctic and the Antarctic. He recently participated in a Special Consultative Meeting on Antarctic Minerals held by the Antarctic Treaty Nations in Bonn, West Germany.

Postal materials were provided by noted Dallas philatelist, Gordon Bleuler, and the aviation display is from UTD's History of Aviation Collection. The exhibit is open Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-noon and 1-5 p.m.

"Women at ARCO," a talk by ARCO Developmental Advisor Marilyn Hurlbut, is scheduled for Oct. 10. A week later, on Monday, Oct. 17, Suzanne Larsen, ARCO's government relations representative, will speak on "Corporation and Society." Both lectures will take place at 12:30 p.m. in SU 2.304.

The second speaker in UTD's **Environmental Colloquium** Series will be Gene E. Likens from the Institute of Ecosystem Studies. Title for the lecture is "Effects of Acid Precipitation", and is scheduled for Thursday. Oct. 13 at 6 p.m. in Polykarp Kusch Auditorium.

Eminent philatelist Herman "Pat" Herst, Jr. will present two lectures at the University of Texas at Dallas on Saturday, Oct. 22 as featured speaker at the annual philatelic symposium sponsored by UTD's Wineburgh Philatelic Research Library, one of the top resources of its kind in the U.S. and largest in the Southwest.

Acknowledged dean of stamp dealers, Herst has worked closely with some of the greatest dealers and collectors of this century. Though he has retired to Boca Raton, Florida, he is still active in judging and as a lecturer and is a wellknown writer in the field.

Symposium organizers say that even non-collectors can gain fascinating insight into philately through Herst's knowledge and his relaxed, humorous manner.

Beginning at 10 a.m., he will discuss the ancient postal system of Babylonia, and his experience as a dealerrr on New York's Nassau Street. At 1:30 p.m., he will present a slide show on the world's first postage stamp, the Penny Black of Great Britain.

Open to the public at no charge, both programs will be presented in the ground-floor auditorium of McDermott Library.

Following the afternoon program, there will be a reception in the Wineburgh Library, housed on the third floor of the McDermott Library building. Those attending the reception will have the opportunity to view displays dealing with Arctic and Antarctic postal history.

For further information about the lectures, call the Wineburgh Library office at (690)2939.

UTD FILM SOCIETY

Films described below will be shown in Polykarp Kusch Auditorium in the Founders North building. Showtimes are 7:30 and 9:30 p.m., unless otherwise stated. Regular admission is \$2: admission for persons under 18 or over 64 years of age is \$1; and for UTD students with validated ID cards, 50¢.

Wednesday, Oct. 12

The Royal Shakespeare Company performs A Midsummer Night's Dream in this fairy tale classic. The film features Diana Rigg, David Warner, Ian Holm, and other fools and immortals. (124 min.) U.K. 1968, G. Second show 9:40

Friday, Oct. 14

Jan-Michael Vincent stars in Damnation Alley, a transcontinental journey featuring five survivors of WW III. Enroute they encounter some interesting special effects. Cinemascope (91 min.) U.S. 1977, PG, Second show 9:15 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 19

Fellini brings the first European novel, Satyricon to the big screen. The flick focuses upon corruption and perversion, proving that even ancient authors knew what sells. Cinemascope (129 min.) Italy 1970, R, Second show 9:45 p.m. Friday, Oct. 21

Roger Moore and Barbara Bach star in The Spy Who Loved Me, a typical Bond flick where gadgetry and beautiful women abound. In this one 007 teams with a Russian spy to save the world (again?) Cinemascope (125 min.) U.S. 1977, PG, Second show 9:40 p.m.

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International students are encouraged to come by MC1.406 for further information, or to drop off membership applications that have been completed.

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The Organization is interested in forming social groups to engage in sports. Would you be interested in joining a soccer team? Yes □ No □

a volleyball team? Yes D No D or other Would you be interested in running for International Student Council?

Yes [No D

What do you think the first order of business for the Organization should be

Peace Day

"Inspire the world to think positively-not negativelyand unite in its objectives."

"Dissolve all the nations of the world and form 'The Republic of the World' against space invaders. One world government is very necessary."

"We won't have peace for long if we allow ourselves to be taken over by communist countries . . . Communism prohibits freedom and prohibits реасе."

"... Capitalists see capitalism as the road to world peace. Socialists see world socialism as the road to world peace."

"Mutual cooperation between nations. Love of one another. Appreciation of the various cultures. And, perhaps, a ban on armanents."

UTD students submitted these and many other suggestions for attaining world peace during the UTD Baha'i Club's celebration of World Peace Day, Sept. 19. A booth was set up in the Student Union and a film "Tomorrow Belongs to the Children," was shown.

The Baha'i Faith offers many roads for people to help achieve world peace. Only when the entire human race develops a consciousness of world citizenship through the adoption of a common auxiliary language, education for all, equality of the sexes and respect for all races and cultures can unity and peace be achieved. Discord and alienation will not totally disappear until the followers of all religions are unified in love and spiritual fellowship.

"Peace is light whereas war is darkness. Peace is life: war is death. Peace is guidance; war is error. Peace is the foundation of God; war is satanic. Peace is the illumination of the world of humanity. War is the destroyer of human foundation." (Baha'i Scriptures)

Social Club

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Alford and Smith, the new reps will be expected to work one hour a week in the student government offices.

Endorsement of a new club, The Cheyenne Social Club. Blair Spring, club founder, made it clear that the group's sole purpose is to arrange parties and add some fun to campus life. He offered to assist the Student Congress in their responsibility of providing social activities and asked for financial assistance to get the group, which will be funded later through \$5 membership fees, started. The Congress agreed to give the group \$250 for a Halloween party, pending approval of the Budget Committee.

- Electing officers. Larry Bassett was elected secretary, Melissa White was chosen treasurer and Randy Spears was tabbed as parliamentarian.
- Appointing members to various committees, including: Student Life Committee: Peat Alford, Mahbub Hussain, Sharon Nelson, Bharat Pema, Susan Rybak, Rules Committee; Mahbub Hussain, Larry Bassett, Randy Spears, Frank Clement, Bill Stolberg. Budget Committee; Dipak Jain, Greg Hansen, Mike Udoessien, Bill Stolberg, Melissa White. Student Communications Committee; David Smith, Richard Yeager, Melissa White, Bharat Pema, Dipak Jain. Student Services Committee: Larry Bassett, Bill Stolberg, Mike Udoessien, David Smith, Richard Yeager, Mahbub Hussain, Peat Alford (ex-officio member).

The first person listed with each committee is the chairman of that committee.

NOTE: All correspondence to Student Congress representatives and officers should be sent to: UTD P.O. Box 688, Mail Station SU 21.

Effectiveness Training Center

Upcoming study skills workshops presented by ETC are "Research Paper Writing" on Monday, Oct. 10, and "Reading Speed Improvement" on Monday, Oct. 17. The workshops will be offered both during the daytime (12:30 -2:30) and evening (5:15 - 6:15) in MC 3,224. There is no charge for currently enrolled UTD students. Come by ETC, MC 3.228, or call (609)2746 to sign

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Chaos: you can get there from here

By Scott Perdue

"The times they are changin'...

When Bob Dylan sang those words 20 years ago he was reflecting a growing movement that could no longer accept the classical world view as the only answer. The world of science is undergoing a similar revolt from the classical view, a revolt which may be as fundamental as Francis Bacon's definition of the scientific method. A notable tremor in the classical edifice occurred at the beginning of this century when Einstein published his theories of relativity. Twenty years later when Bohr, Heisenburg, Schrodinger, and others developed quantum mechanics the final period of classical determinism began.

The classical deterministic view means, in essence, that a thing can be known completely. The primary concept of the probalistic view is that even if a thing is indeterminate, in the classical sense, we can still predict with a high degree of accuracy what it might be. The controversy arises as to whether the world is deterministic or probablistic in nature, and whether meaning can be

attached to a probable event. In the mid-1980s the majority of the human race accepts the classical Cartesian world view as the true reality; indeed most do not even conceive of an alternative. The dominance of the classical view is not without reason. For centuries it has been adequate for our needs, however, it no longer can adequately describe events which we are capable of observing. If a theory is not capable of explaining observed behavior then the theory is wrong, and must be reformulated. The failure of determinism brings the rise of chaos.

Chaos was the subject of a talk recently given at UTD by Nobel laureate Ilya Prigogine entitled "The Evolution Paradigm in the Physical Sciences." The main point of Dr. Prigogine's talk was that any behavior tends from the simple to the complex; that there is an undeniable arrow of time in the universe. This is a fundamental change in our view of nature: which has been that time is an illusion and that cannot attach physical meaning to it. With 'time' a foreign concept, scientists have focused on the end points of the equilibrium curve, assuming linearity for the center sections.

According to Dr. Prigogine, experiments have been done that prove assumption of a deterministic nature are no longer valid in macroscopic physics. Now on the macroscopic level as well as the quantum mechanical one, you can only predict probabilities. This means that, conceptually, a dynamic, chaotic, world vie must be adopted if we are to begin to understand reality.

The concept that evolution is a basic element of the universe is controversial and largely unaccepted; its consequence however; are extremely fascinating. The growth of complexity in our society is a very good example of this evolutionary concept. It seems that there are no simple solutions to any problem; poverty, scarcity, overpopulation, energy, hatred, crime, inhumanity, freedom, security, economics, science, sociology, psychology, pollution, trans-portation, religion, politics, and on and on. So far we have been unable to successfully solve any of them with simplistic answers. It is the growth of complexity that is the hallmark of evolution. The real test of our science and our society will be in our ability to understand and apply this knowledge.

The failure of absolutism does not neccessarily imply the rise of confusion. According to Webster the primary definition of chaos is ". . . as a state of things in which probability implies reasonable certainty, and chance makes us all gamblers in a very beautiful and

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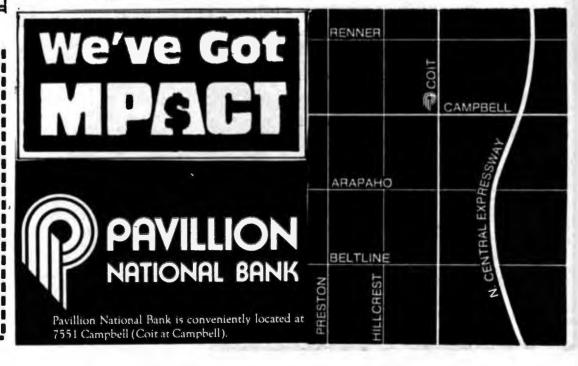
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Congressman Steve Bartlett is sponsoring an Education Town Hall on Thursday, Oct. 13 at 7:30 p.m. Bartlett said, "Education policy is one of the most important issues on the national agenda. It holds all of our hopes for our children and grandchildren."

Bartlett invites the thoughts of his constituents on current issues, and on what they believe the Federal Government's role is in education. The congressman will have Bob Brown, expert consultant to the Secretary of the Department of Education, present as his special guest.

The meeting is scheduled for the Hillcrest High School Auditorium located at 9924 Hillcrest Road.

Theater

Theatre Three presents their production of Hansel and Gretel on Saturdays at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. throughout the month of October. Admission will be one bag of donated items per person benefiting Goodwill Industries. Reservations are suggested. Call 871-3300.

"Midnight Masque: An Imagination of Edgar Allan Poe," opening Oct. 14 at The Callier Theater, is an original play by Dallasites Greg Martin and Linda Blase. Presenting Poe in his last, tortured hours. the play features some of his best known tales: "The Telltale

Heart," "The Case of M. Valdemar," "Ligeia," "The Masque of the Red Death," "Annabelle Lee," and "A Dream Within a Dream" and provides insight into the master of fantasy and the supernatural.

"Midnight Masque," as with all Callier productions, includes some performers who are deaf. The cast communicate simultaneously with the hearing and the deaf/hearingimpaired members of the audience through a unique blend of speech, sign language, music, dance and mime.

Directed by Larry Outsinger, assisted by Tom Cantu, the production has Bob Kreuger as technical director. Together they create a show with "plenty of blood and horror"-not for the squeamish but appropriate for the Halloween season.

The show runs three weekends: Oct. 14-16, 21-24 and 28-30, with a special Halloween show Monday, Oct. 31. Showtime is 8:15 p.m. Fridays, Saturdays and the one Monday, and 2:30 p.m. Sundays.

All performances will be in Aram Glorig Auditorium at the Callier Center for Communication Disorders, a UTD branch campus located at 1966 Inwood Rd., next to the UT Health Science Center at Dallas.

Tickets will be \$6 for adults, \$3 for students, children under 12 and senior citizens. For reservations, call (214) 783-3041.

Concert

One of the nation's most durable and exciting musical groups, the Beach Boys, will

appear in concert at Six Flags Over Texas Sunday, Oct. 16.

The Southern California group came to national prominence in 1962 with the release of their first single, "Surfin' Safari."

Subsequent successes came in rapid-fire order. "Surfer Girl," "Little Deuce Coupe" and "Be True to Your School" all came out in 1963 -

The show will begin at 6 p.m. in the theme park's Festival Concert 'Pavilion. Seating will be on a paved surface and guests are encouraged to bring their own blankets or cushions.

There will be a \$2 charge for the concert in addition to the park's regular \$13.50 ticket price. Children age five and under are not subject to the concert fee.

Cityfest

Plan to spend time in downtown Dallas during Cityfest '83, an annual fall festival, which continues through Oct. 31. Coordinated each year by the Central **Business District Association** and Dallas CBD Enterprises, Cityfest provides music, dancing, sports events, exhibits and entertainment of all kinds. Everyone is invited to join in the fun with most of the events free.

Office workers can enjoy the noontime events taking place during the weekdays. A special treat this year will be a series of events in the Sculpture Garden at the new Dallas Museum of. Art which will open Oct. 10.

Other noontime events will feature bands, vocal groups, jazz and pop concerts, movies and opera ensembles. Most of these activities take place in various downtown buildings such as the City Hall Plaza, Plaza of the Americas, Thanksgiving Square, hotels and retail stores.

In addition to the noontime events, and Oktoberfest Bier Garten will be held on the Akard Street Mall on Oct. 14 from 11:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. There will be German singing, dancing and music, as well as food and refreshments throughout the day.

The final event of Cityfest this year will be the Dallas Folk Festival, a three-day event taking place on the City Hall Plaza. This event will spotlight Texas folk life, folk music, folk artists and crafts of many generations of Texans.

For further information regarding Cityfest '83 events, call Evelyn Richardson, Central **Business District Association at** 747-8555. Free brochures are available.



Doug Poteete performed in the Union as part of Western Day activities Sept. 22. Photo by Chuck Sutlive

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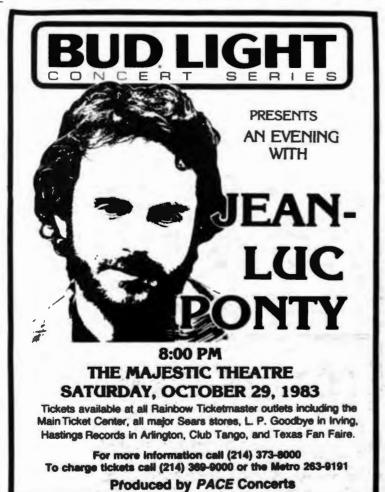
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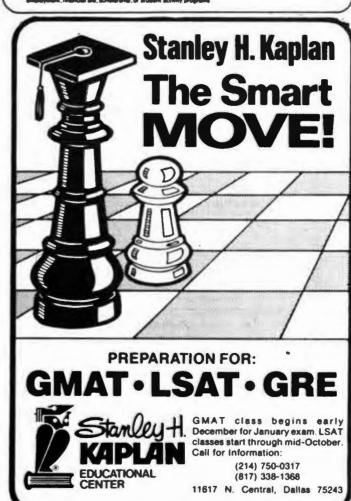
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UTD's intramural football continues as four teams have entered the playoffs. The Mad Scientists are the early favorites to win it all. Photo by Chuck Sutlive

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