

# Two seek Student Congress presidency

## Polls open Monday through 9 p.m. Tuesday

Candidates seeking election to the post of president of Student Congress are Richard Hancock and Randy Williams, while Sally Nance is the vice presidential candidate.

Voting begins today and will continue through 9 p.m. Tuesday at the two polling places, the Green Lobby and first level of McDermott. Voters must present a valid student ID to be eligible to participate.

UTD Student Congress officers are elected in the spring of each year and serve terms of one year from May 1.

Hancock is a first year UTD student in pre-law and the political science program and is currently serving as representative from College V to Student Congress.

Williams is also in his first year at UTD and is chairman of the BAPA steering committee. He is majoring in finance and management information systems.

Mrs. Nance is College IX Student Congress representative and is majoring in arts management. Following graduation this summer, she plans to enter the graduate humanities program.

The following information on the candidates and their platforms was obtained using a questionnaire which states: The following items are for publication purposes and will appear exactly as you have written them. Your grammar, punctuation, and spelling will be unchanged. Each item may be no more than 50 words in length.

The following are responses from each candidate.

Give a brief personal history including your qualifications for office.

**HANCOCK:** I have been involved in student government for the past 11 years. I have worked in student government and in the community. I am presently president of the social science steering committee and parliamentarian of the student government at UTD. I am a member of the pre-law society (treasurer) and (word limit)



Richard Hancock

**WILLIAMS:** Prior to UT/D, attended Brookhaven (3.63 GPA). Elected as Chairman of the BAPA Steering Committee, Fall, 1980. Para-professional training and became Student Advisor. Appointed to Activities Advisory Board upon recommendation of Dr. Jim Moore and Student Activities Director, Ann Harris. Leadership qualities, people skills, and desire to work hard.



Randy Williams

**NANCE:** Active in Student Government at Richland College; Recipient of Student Government Scholarship at Richland; College IX representative to UTD Student Congress since Fall 1979; First editor of UTD student newspaper; Who's Who Among American Universities and Colleges, 1981; Plan to enter graduate Humanities Program, Fall 1981; Sense of humor.



Sally Nance

What is your campaign platform?

**HANCOCK:** As a student government representative I have added input to the student life on campus and as a future city council member in Richardson the community would respond to UTD with my added city involvement. As a platform I would increase fun activities and upgrade programming. As president I would (word limit)

**WILLIAMS:** I can represent you objectively and effectively. I believe some issues of concern are:

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2. Activities designed to meet needs of both day and evening students
3. Meaningful teacher evaluations
4. Expanded library hours
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**NANCE:**

- Maintain regular posted hours for staffing Student Congress office
- Continue efforts regarding copy machine access and cost
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- Be especially attuned to concerns to older and returning students
- Maintain continuity through prior Student Congress service

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# MERCURY

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## Arts Odyssey festival set

It's a 2001 Arts Odyssey as UT-Dallas transports art into the future with its second annual festival of advanced computer graphics and electronically synthesized video art. Electronic Arts Festival 1981 will run April 7-9 at the Visual Arts Gallery at UTD.

Video artists Steina Vasulka, co-founder of New York City's Kitchen Center for Music and Video and Dallasite Jerry Hunt will give shows on Tuesday and Thursday nights, April 7 and 9. Several shorter works assembled by the Southwest Alternative Media Project and the UTD Electronic Arts Project will be shown on Wednesday, April 8.

Vasulka, a vital developer of the electronic arts since 1970, as well as a constant explorer into the possibilities for generation and manipulation of electronic images, will have a one-woman show of computerized video art on April 7. Winner of a Guggenheim Memorial Fellowship in video in 1976, Ms. Vasulka has exhibited at the Albright-Knox Gallery and the Berlin Film Festival, and participated in a lecture series, "Video Viewpoints," at the Museum of Modern Art in New York City.

"Images in Time," a collection of com-

(See VIDEO on page 2)

## Grad review classes scheduled by etc

The Effective Techniques Center will conduct graduate entrance examination review classes for those planning to take the GRE, GMAT or LSAT. The classes are scheduled for April 7, 9, 14, 16, 21 and 23 at 1-3 p.m. in MC2.428.

For further information or registration, call 690-2947.



IT'S ROBERT'S BIRTHDAY in this scene from UTD's spring musical "Company" currently playing weekends in University Theatre. Celebrating the occasion are (l-r) Randy Ingram who plays Peter; Kelly Hall, Susan; Kerry Cole, Jenny; Bill Dorsett, Larry; Tom Gilchrist, Robert; David Fenley, Paul; and Mary-Margaret Pyeatt, Amy. (Photo by Wade Jones)

## Musical 'Company' hits with audience

By CAROLE LESTER  
Staff Writer

After getting off to a shaky start, UTD's spring musical *Company* turned out to be a lot of fun. This Sondheim musical is essentially an ensemble piece, and the cast worked well together to create a bright and witty evening of entertainment for the capacity audience.

The action revolves around five couples and their perennial bachelor

friend Robert. Within the framework of musical comedy, the show examines several social areas: life in New York, the problems of getting married, the pleasures of being married and the pressure to be married. These areas are explored in Sondheim's lyrics, and it was unfortunate that sometimes the words could not be understood in performance. The "You Could Drive a Person Crazy"

(See GETTING MARRIED on page 2)

# 'Getting Married Today' is a big hit show tune

(Cont. from page 1) number sung by Robert's three girlfriends was cute but unintelligible.

One number which was both clever and rapidly past was "Getting Married Today." Mary-Margaret Pyeatt did an outstanding job as Amy, singing a song with so many words and at such a fast pace, that it must have been rather like singing a bowl of alphabet soup while someone was stirring it. This number more than made up for the flatness of the "Another Hundred People Just Got Off of the Train" sequence which preceded it.

I would be remiss if I did not applaud Donna Snyder's creation of the sexy, earthy, and cynical "Joanne." Her "Ladies Who Lunch" was a show-stopper, and there were several other fine moments in the show. The delightful scene where Sandra Spohr as Sarah and Michael Gillespie as Harry get into a karate demonstration was very effective, as was Kerry Cole and Harry Weekly's "pot-smoking" scene.

One of the funniest moments

of the show was. Molly Shepard's portrayal of April. She was perfect as the "dumb blonde airline stewardess," and had many in the audience in tears from laughing so hard. Tom Gilchrist who played Robert was very much the dashing bachelor once he settled into the part, and finished strongly with "Being Alive."

Director Michael Gillespie made good use of the simple but highly functional stair-step set designed by Linda Williamson. The small stage, however, did affect the dance sequences, especially the "Side by Side by Side" number.

All in all the play was great fun and worth seeing. "Come on to our house. We love having Company."

Company continues on weekends through April 12. For ticket information and reservations, call 690-2983.

The typical Frenchman is likely to advise: "Never run after a bus, a woman, or an educational theory; there will be another one along very soon." M. Pevre



**SMU TENNIS COACH Dennis Ralston will speak at a meeting of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes Monday, April 13, at noon at MC 2.410. All interested students, faculty and staff are invited to hear the former Wimbledon and Davis Cup player.**

### Pre-law Assoc. brings anti-gun control speaker here April 9

Don Kates, a liberal criminologist against gun control, will be the Pre-Law Association's guest speaker Thursday, April 9.

The author of several books dealing with gun control will speak in GR 2.302 at 2 p.m. and all interested students are invited to attend.

## Video layering works featured

(Cont. from page 1) Grissom using analog and digital computers to create images of a symbolic nature.

Jerry Hunt's "Ground: Dallas Working," a continuing operatic work, will be shown April 9. His largest and most extensive performance piece to date, "Ground" utilizes systems of interactive electronic and mechanical processes. Hunt also has presented solo performances at the Kitchen Center for Music and Video in New York City and the Concert Series 1980 at Mills College in Oakland, Calif. His artifact sets are by Dave McManaway.

All performances begin at 7:30 p.m. Admission is \$1 and seating is limited. A reception for the artists will follow each evening's performance.

### Letters


May I express formally my thanks to everyone who made the exhibition "An Indian Trader: Continuity and Change" possible?

Mr. Shipman and Dean Lutz dipped generously into their own craft collections; Mr. Arnold Jaffe's ideas made the exhibition a reality; and Mrs. Carole Lester and her husband

Phil were responsible for the exciting layout. The Student Congress and the School of General Studies provided funding; and Mrs. Tupper's help and that of everyone in Special Collections was invaluable.

Thank you all.

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## And the trash goes on

By **KEN WOOLLEY**  
Business Manager

Are you aware of your environment and the actions which affect it, both at home and at UTD?

Many people here are disturbed about the university's trash problem and rightly so. They feel that they have a right to a clean and orderly environment in which to study and work.

Those who contribute to the clutter of food and the wrappings from it, paper cups, soft drink cans and the like, are violating the purpose of a university. Students should expect a rewarding experience here but the debris is a definite distraction. How can we expect the best of ourselves or our professors when we are not concerned about and contribute to the litter with our carelessness?

Being commuters, students may well not identify with UTD as a "second home," but we should all be concerned with our surroundings while we're here. If one speaks with pride of being from Texas or of graduating from UTD, it should be with pride in all aspects.

All of us, individually and as a group, must act to alleviate this problem. Clean up your part and that of others too. The administration also needs to take a more active role by providing more and better quality receptacles for both trash and cigarette butts, and more trash containers are needed in the parking areas.

We all spend quite a bit of time at UTD, so let's make it environmentally worthwhile.

# Sports round-up

Two wins and two losses in tennis and a 4-2 baseball record went into The University of Texas at Dallas' sports books as schedules re-opened after spring break.

Comet baseballers were at 8-3 on the year, with the tennis mark at 6-4.

Both squads were looking at rough schedules down the second half of the seasons. Baseball dates were all against four-year colleges, with University of Dallas, Bishop College, Northwood Institute, North Texas State University and Arlington Baptist College on the list.

Mary Hardin Baylor, Weatherford College, Eastfield, UT-Arlington and Austin College were ahead for the tennis squad, plus a four-day swing involving St. Mary's and Our Lady of the Lake in San Antonio, and St. Edward's at Austin.

### Baseball

Recent games were played with Brookhaven, Midwestern, Dallas Christian and Texas College.

**Student Congress Elections**  
April 7-8

### Brookhaven

Brookhaven picked up six runs in the sixth to win the first game of a March 19 twin bill, 7-6; but the Comets blasted back for a 10-3 decision in the nightcap.

Big Jim Chambless scattered three hits and struck out seven.

Centerfielder Barry Smith drove in nine runs on the day, with a 2-3 opening game and a 3-3 second game. His bases-loaded triple made the win easier.

### Midwestern

Midwestern State University took a 10-2 decision at Wichita Falls March 20. MSU is ranked as top team in Region 8 of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics.

Bright spots for UTD were third baseman Mike Hopkins' solo home run over a tall wall, 360 feet away in center field; two double plays were turned by the Comet center line, shortstop Keith Colvin to second baseman Bry Patton to Trey Goldsmith at first.

Seventeen Comets went down on strikes against MSU hurler Carl Peet.

### Dallas Christian

A record book ripper for nine inning games put The University of Texas at Dallas on the long end of a 17-13 decision at Dallas Christian College, Thursday, March 26.

Some of the records may be remembered; others, the Comets will try to forget.

UTD bats produced eight extra base hits out of nine. There were home runs over the Christians' left-center fence at about 340 feet, total four. A pair of triples went about the same distance in center field, and two two-baggers were added.

Bry Patton, Comet outfielder, had the only single for UTD, in the sixth.

First baseman Trey Goldsmith, shortstop Keith Colvin, catcher Mike Mason and Patton hit the home runs.

Goldsmith and Barry Smith, who later came from center field as a relief pitcher, got the triples. Catcher-second baseman Pete Stovall and Mason had the two-base hits.

Eleven runs scored in the fourth inning as Dallas Christian first took a 6-4 lead, then fell

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# Netters split a pair; Austin College rescheduled for April 7

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behind 10-8.

Jim Chambliss took the mound for UTD to stop the DC uprising, relieving Marty Long. The southpaw was credited with the win, allowing only one unearned run in three frames.

Smith, in his pitching role for the first time, gave up six runs, four of them in the ninth. He finally halted the Christians by striking out relief pitcher Sam Bellew, for the 17th whiff credited to Comet pitchers.

Jim Kault, Jim Hardwick, Bellew and John Haak took pitching turns for DC and walked 13 batters, plus cutting loose five wild pitches.

The Comet record was no better. Long, Chambliss and Smith also issued 13 passes and wild-pitched six times.

**VOTE!**

**Student Congress Elections**

## Texas College

In return games with Texas College at Tyler March 28, UTD swept the Steer series by winning two amid showers, 11-4 and 12-8.

The Comets mounted a 19-hit attack in the two games, and scored in all but two innings of the 12 played.

Outfielder Dewey Long went 3-4 in the opener, and Colvin had a double and triple in each game.

Mason had an unusual day, catching Bryan Johnson in the opener and then pitching the second game. Johnson marked his first mound win in the first game.

The Steers challenged in the final inning of the nightcap, with three runs and the bases full.

Hopkins, guarding the line at third, made the catch of the

year when he leaped sideways to backhand Willie Wright's line screamer with the bases full to end the game.

## Tennis

Tennis matches have been played with Southwestern, Richland, University of Northern Iowa (Cedar Falls) and South Tarrant County College.

## Southwestern

Three singles victories, but two losses in doubles made it 5-4 for Southwestern University in Georgetown.

Cliff Lazarine won 6-2, 6-3 from Charles Williams; Randy Lindley took a 6-0, 6-3 decision over Clayton Rote, and Jerry Mendoza won 6-2, 6-0 from Ricky Carrasco.

Glenn Hartnett and Mendoza were 6-1, 6-3 winners over Rote and Carrasco in the doubles.

The key singles match was

Carlton Odom's 3-6, 6-2, 6-1 win over Doug McCracken. In doubles, David Shanks and Williams took a 6-3, 4-6, 6-4 decision from Lazarine and Jay Groom

## South Tarrant

A singles sweep and split in two doubles made it 6-1 over South Tarrant County College at Fort Worth on March 24.

## Richland

Two straight set wins in singles and one in doubles led UTD to a 5-4 win over Richland. Kris Soegaard won from George Murphy 7-5, 6-4, and Randy Lindley from Steve Hasenmiller by 7-5, 6-1.

Cliff Lazarine teamed with Soegaard to win the only doubles match played in rising wind and dust, defeating John Kelly and Tom Kates 6-0, 6-3.

Jerry Mendoza won 3-6, 6-3,

6-4 from Rich Stevens to close out the singles.

## Northern Iowa

University of Northern Iowa (Cedar Falls) tennis visitors swept a 9-0 match in straight sets (Mon., March 23) at The University of Texas at Dallas.

The loss, following a win from Richland College and a second defeat at Southwestern University, put the Comets at 5-4 for the year.

## Rescheduled

Austin College has been rescheduled on the Comet courts. The match, postponed from March 3, will be played at 2 p.m. April 7.

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Anon.

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