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## Panel to rework Who's Who process

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Contributing Editor

The selection process for Who's Who candidates will soon be revised to include student input and improved screening methods.

A University committee formed to study the selection system will create new guidelines for choosing the nominees for Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities.

The Who's Who program honors outstanding campus leaders for their scholastic and community achievements. In recent years there has been criticism of the University's selection process, which has no written guidelines and is subject to change each year.

Dean of Students Elizabeth Proffer will draw up a proposed set of guidelines acting on suggestions and recommendations made by the entire committee of faculty members, administrators and students. The entire committee will then work from the preliminary set of guidelines.

Students will probably be appointed to the Final Selection Committee, which is charged with sending the final list of names to Who's Who. The students would probably have to be ineligible for the honor to qualify for the committee.

Among the suggestions was the proposal the University's selection committee fill the quota allowed by the Who's Who program. The program asks for a specific number of nominees, based on full-time undergraduate enrollment.

For the past two years, the University's quota has been 35 students. This year, 30 made the Who's Who list, five short of the established quota.

"When you don't fill the full quota of the University and don't fill quotas of (individual schools), it's a double putdown," said Dr. George Tade committee member and dean of the School of Fine Arts. "We should award the full quota."

Dr. Ken Lawrence, Religion Department chairman, said "The (selection)

committee decided after all the time it spent together that finally they would only pick the 30. There was a big gap remaining between them and the rest of the candidates." To merely fill the quota, he said, "would be like filling slots."

Currently, nominations are made by any dean, faculty member or recognized group. Each school or college is given its own quota. The total number of candidates is twice the quota given by Who's Who, or 70. Only 68 candidates were chosen during the last screening process; Harris College of Nursing came up two short.

To be eligible, nominees must be juniors or seniors with a 3.0 grade point average, and must have "exhibited leadership ability in various phases of campus life."

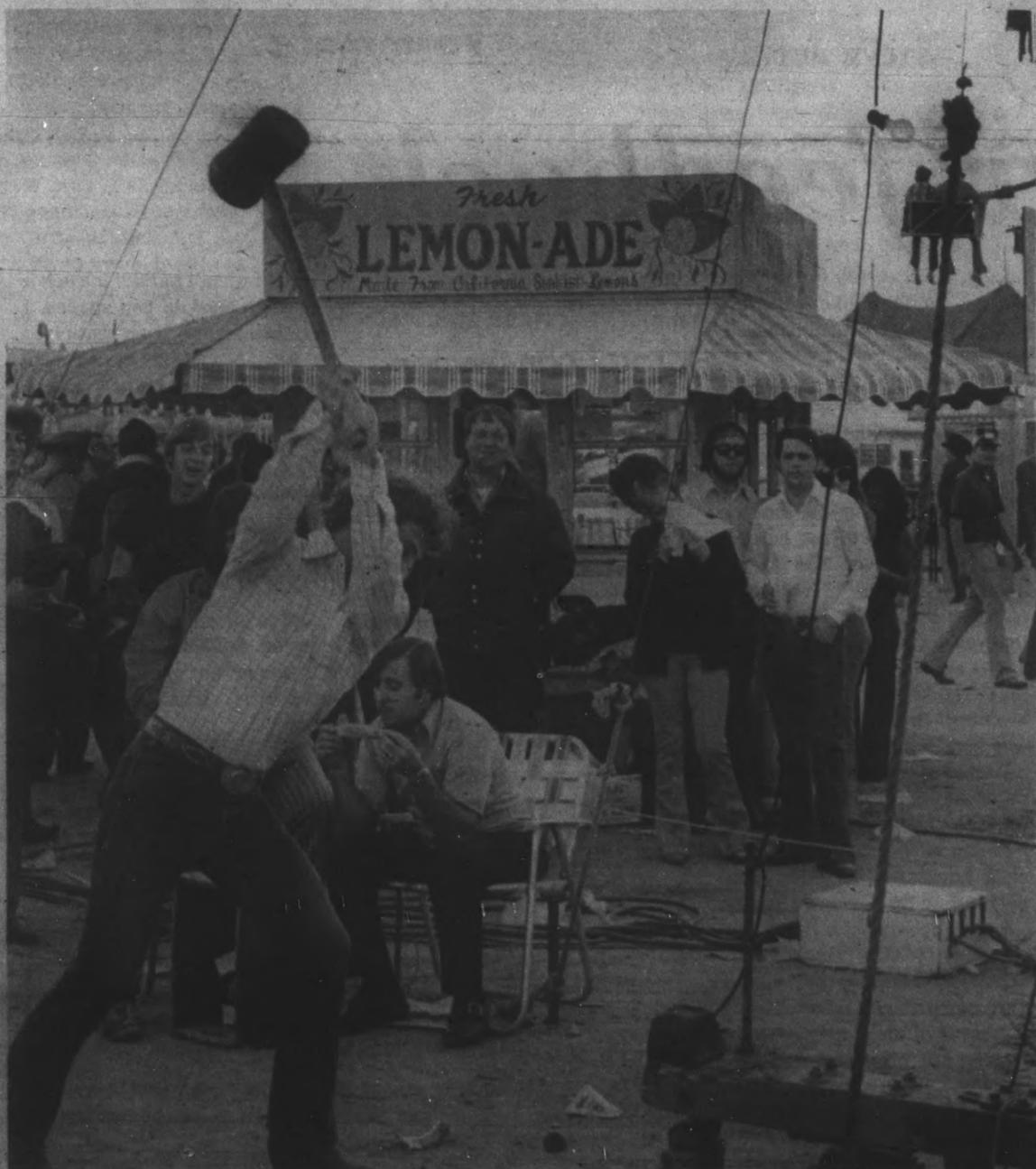
Screening committees in each school or college send their recommendations to the Final Selection Committee of the Faculty Senate. The Student Relations Committee and representatives of Student Life have been handling that task.

Don Mills, director of Programs and Services, suggested every school have a representative on the final committee. Mills said candidates unknown in some quarters of the University would at least have representation by the committee member from their schools.

Mills also suggested candidates be ranked in order of prestige with accompanying explanation of the criteria for ranking.

Dr. Tade said half of each school's nominees should be ranked and, in effect, be given a recommendation to become a finalist.

Chuck Blaisdell, vice president of the House of Student Representatives, and student committee member Karen Dayton will revise the application form sent to student nominees. The current form asks nominees to list activities in broad, generalized categories. There is no indication of how much weight is accorded different activities.



STEP RIGHT UP AND GET YOUR SEE-GAR—Different schools abound on whether hitting the bell depends on strength or accuracy. This person is

trying out his theory at the 89th Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show. All others get a chance to try out their theories until Feb. 2.

—Photo by Michael Gerst

## Frats point to snags in hazing decision

By LISA DEELEY SMITH  
News Editor

Ambiguities in the Student Organization Committee's (SOC) recent definition of and ban on hazing "may be a problem," according to Phil Cartwright, former Inter-Fraternity Council (IFC) president. Several other fraternity presidents agree with Cartwright's assessment of the definition.

"I don't consider certain things hazing," said Steve Northcross, Sigma Phi Epsilon president. Scavenger hunts, which the SOC policy now forbids, are something "pledges like to do," Northcross said. It shows whether pledges "really want to be in a fraternity," he said.

"I didn't consider anything hazing," said Northcross of his time as a pledge.

David Shelfer, Phi Delta president, thought there would be little change in pledge classes. "I don't foresee any problems," he said. "It's all a matter of a pledge knowing his material. There are many ways that can be done."

"We've had discussions" on SOC's definition of hazing, Shelfer said. "We have our differences."

"I certainly approve of the action of SOC," Cartwright said. He said he thinks "fraternities should take a few moments and reflect on their actions." Cartwright, member of SOC, said he thought "members of SOC are going to continue to work to reconcile any differences."

SOC defined hazing last week as "any action . . . to produce mental or physical discomfort, embarrassment, harassment or ridicule."

"I really don't have any comment right now," said Glen Davis, Sigma Alpha Epsilon and IFC president. Pledge practices would "definitely" have to be changed. There will be "no hazing, there just won't be," Davis said.

"If you have Hell Week, you're going to have to change," said Randall Johnson, Sigma Chi president. You'll have to get rid of Hell Week, unless you can do something constructive."

"All the nationals have ascribed" to the College Fraternity Secretaries Association statement on hazing, which the University adopted, according to Ted Chase, IFC adviser. He said he thought the necessary changes could be made in pledge programs in fraternities that would "pay more attention to the suggestions the nationals have made."

"I think all of the chapters here have good pledge programs," Chase said, but "a few deletions" may be necessary. "There are several alternatives to produce the same type of brotherhood," he said.

Chase said he thought SOC's ruling "was fair. I don't think it was more than any one of them were expecting."

# Public meetings bill still being ignored

The Student Organizations Committee (SOC) decided last Wednesday to close its deliberations about fraternity hazing.

Though the committee acted responsibly once all non-members had left, the decision to close the meeting was quite petty and irresponsible. The House of Student Representatives has passed a bill requiring open meetings of all policy-making bodies of which students are members.

There was no reason for the decision to close the meeting. The member who moved to close it gave the most feeble of possible arguments for anything. "We've always closed the meetings," he said.

The SOC is just one example of the closed-minded, secretive mentality that prevails in much of the University. Even when no reason exists for a group to seclude itself, many seem to find comfort and security in operating behind closed doors.

When no individual's privacy would be compromised, the University has an obligation to operate openly and allow students to know how policies are made.

Students have a great stake in many decisions made here. Many students

have paid great amounts of money to the University. All full time students are investing great amounts of time in getting an education. For many students, the years in college are vital in forming their character and social life.

The University owes these students the right to learn how decisions are made. The House, acting as the voice of the students, has expressed its desire for open meetings.

When important decisions are considered secretly, rumors quickly circulate about what transpired. The rumors are seldom accurate and usually unfair to someone. Rumors will circulate even if meetings are open, but concerned students can attend meetings and learn for themselves what happens.

Other students who read about meetings in the Daily Skiff or rely on reports from students who attend meetings will sometimes get inaccurate information. However, if more people can see first-hand how decisions are made, rumors will be more accurate and more people will be closer to knowing the truth.

—STEVE BUTTRY

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By Fredz 7/6



Having a perfect roommate.

## — Reader feedback —

### Independents don't understand

Editor:

It seemed ironic to me that your hazing editorial and the letter from Mrs. Michael Hanna were side by side in the Friday Skiff. Just as TCU has received bad publicity in Hawaii, so also have the Greeks before the student body.

The sad part, however, is that, removed by thousands of miles and the Pacific Ocean, the Hawaiians probably believe

those blown-out-of-proportion reports. It also seems apparent that a gulf as wide as the Pacific separates Worth Hills and main campus. Speaking from a Greek point of view, I have had much experience at being slandered.

Occasionally, I come down from Mount Olympus and have a limited amount of contact with those mortals known as independents. (Please don't let the news leak that I was once an independent myself).

On such occasions, I have heard the most preposterous rumors about all the perverted, unproductive and hazardous hazing that Greeks do. Sure,

hazing has occurred in the past, but not anything like the gross exaggerations circulating on campus.

I agree with the editors in praising the SOC for the good job they did in handling the matter. I have long advocated a productive pledgship.

However, I can make this one observation. One of the hardest tasks I have ever had to accomplish was fraternity pledgship. But the trite saying that you get out of it what you put into it applies here. I learned to love the fraternity and my brothers. In that sense, hazing was highly productive.

I treasure my fraternity experience more than any other thing about TCU. College is a learning experience and I know of no better way to learn about people than through a fraternity.

I grew up without a father and came to TCU a shy, overly-sensitive, introverted, small-town boy. I think I have changed a great deal and I attribute this mostly to my fraternity experience.

My loyalty to the fraternity system will never falter, and, in a time when school spirit is at a low ebb, I feel the school could well profit by the example of Greek camaraderie.

Tom Oliver  
Senior Phi Delt

### Neither do those small car owners

Editor:

Last night as I was getting into my car, I found a note taped to the window. The note read as follows:

Dear Madam or Sir:

Please think about your fellow students when parking. Without blocking driveways, two medium-sized cars can park here. Lots of people are looking for a parking spot.

Thank you kindly for your cooperation.

A TCU friend

Since I wasn't parked in such a way as to take up two spaces, I feel that I have been criticized for having a large car. I also deduce that the author was a small-car-owner who couldn't find a parking space.

I realize that we have parking problems, but that doesn't give anyone the right to criticize another simply because one happens to have a big car.

And to the author of my note I have an ancient proverb that I just made up: "He who gets there first, gets the parking space."

Becci Mills  
Junior

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**WHO HAS THE RIGHT OF WAY?**—Some people can afford to be casual and lick their fingers while navigating the motorcycle ride at the 89th Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show at Will Rogers Memorial Center. Others need to hang on tight and look out. This children's ride was one of several at the show that will run through Sunday, Feb. 2. Admission is 50 cents.

—Photo by Steve Buttry



*Scholar stresses need for program*

# Study abroad best education

By LEE MIDDLETON

A studies abroad program is one of the University's biggest needs, according to Jean-Albert Bede, this semester's Green Honors Chair professor.

Bede, an internationally renowned expert on French literature, said although the University has an excellent Modern Languages Department, students are handicapped by their inability to travel to Europe for study. "Graduate students in French, for example, are a little too far away from France and therefore may suffer from being isolated from the country," Bede said.

"A program abroad is a very important thing. Many universities and sometimes some fairly small colleges have a program of studies abroad. Study abroad is a great advance which I hope will be possible at TCU."

## Fund raisers harp on 'strings' sale

If you've always had a secret desire to own a balalaika, a dulcimer, or an Irish harp, here is your chance. The Wesley Foundation is holding a fund-raising dulcimer sale starting today through Friday.

Anyone wishing to help the foundation can purchase and build his own dulcimer, balalaika or guitar at sessions to be held on these days at 3 and 7 p.m.

The sessions will be at the foundation's building across the street from the Center for Counseling and Psychological Services.

A dulcimer, by the way, is a Biblical instrument and the easiest of the string instruments to play. A balalaika is a three-stringed traditional folk instrument.



JEAN-ALBERT BEDE

Bede, a native of France, has served on the faculties of Brown, Princeton and Columbia universities and until his retirement in 1971, served as managing editor of "Romanic Review," a periodical devoted to French, Spanish and Italian literature. From 1964 to 1965 he was a Fulbright Lecturer at the Royal Holloway College of the University of London.

Bede holds the Green Honors Chair endowed in 1969 by Cecil and Ida Green of Dallas. The chair is reserved for prominent scholars, writers and scientists on a rotating basis.

Bede is teaching two courses here, one a graduate level course in comparative French and English literature and the other a course in 19th century French literature, offered to both

graduates and undergraduates.

Bede came to the United States in 1929 and became a naturalized citizen in 1939. "I originally came to America because of a certain spirit of adventure," he said, "but there were other reasons, one was that I was very fond of the English language."

"I wanted to teach at the university level right away, but that wouldn't have been possible in France. Here I could jump immediately into university teaching."

In comparing European to American universities Bede said, "I am beginning to appreciate some things Europe didn't do and that is in the area of social sciences, economics and political science." American colleges, he said, do a much better job in those areas.

"In my time, classical studies in Europe were still very strong.

I had 13 years of Latin and 11 of Greek and that is something that isn't done over here. I was strongly of the opinion, and perhaps still am to a degree, that it was a good thing. But now Europe is giving it up," Bede said.

"While the French and the Europeans at large are abandoning classical studies, they are adopting the social sciences and are teaching them now."

After leaving the University Bede plans to begin work editing a complete dictionary of modern European language since 1900, and a bibliography of French 19th century literature.

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# Rotten record makes recruiting rough

## Runnels optimistic on signature chase

By TOM BURKE

Assistant Sports Editor

Football recruiting is serious business but when your team has just finished the season with a 1-10 record the job becomes even more crucial.

Frog assistant coach Tommy Runnels recruits in the Fort Worth and mid-cities area. Runnels is optimistic about the success of this year's recruitment program and says TCU will end up with some "excellent" players.

In the immediate area Runnels lists Arlington Height's Robert Oglesby as the top player. Oglesby is a defensive tackle and Runnels says TCU has a good chance of getting him. Tight end Greg Hawthorne of Fort Worth Poly is another top area prospect. There are only seven top "blue chip" players in Texas according to the conference coaches. This is a relatively small number as last year there were 14.

"Our philosophy in recruiting is to go after those boys who can help us win immediately. If not in their freshman year at least by their sophomore year," Runnels said.

Many people think recruiting is scandalous and everybody "bends" the rules but Runnels says that is not the case at TCU. "If anything illegal is going on I don't know about it and I guarantee (Jim) Shofner doesn't know about it. That's cheating in life and I don't want a cheater around me," he said leaning back in a thick padded purple office chair and puffing steadily on a long cigar.

The dismal season TCU had last year doesn't make things any easier for the recruiters. "It's hard to sell TCU when

coming off a 1-10 season. We're starting from scratch. Next year we'll suit up a team which will be largely youngsters. The University itself is not hard to sell, it's the football program. What we have going for us is that we are offering a young man something almost no other school can and that is the chance to play immediately. We have some good athletes here. We just need to surround them with other good players," Runnels said.

In general, the athletes' image is one of separatism from the student body and that of a "dumb jock." That image is not as prevalent here though. Runnels said they try to recruit young men interested in being active students besides just an athlete. An athlete coming to TCU has to meet the University's admission requirements along with the NCAA requirements.

In the past, out-of-state recruiting has been minimal. This has changed this year though. It costs a little more but Runnels says that money is never a problem. The school gives no money to the recruiting program. Whatever money is used has been raised exclusively by the football department. There are about 20 out-of-state players that recruiters are interested in.

Runnels explained that the main competition for prospective players comes from Oklahoma, Arizona State and Colorado. "Can you imagine the pressure that boy has on him. He has three or four coaches talking to him in one day," he said, shaking his head in bewilderment.

According to Runnels the major drawback to out-of-state recruiting is that "the boy is usually worried about how

often he will be able to see his parents and if they will ever get to see him play. Distance is the major stigma."

The recruiters here are at a slight disadvantage to recruiters at other schools because of the smallness of TCU. "We don't have the outside numbers that some other schools have. In this sense I'm referring to the alumni. But I'll say this; you take one TCU alumnus and he will be equal to five or six of the other school's alumni. A TCU alumnus has a strong sense of loyalty. They want to see a winning football team as much as we do," Runnels said.

A new program, which the football department has initiated, is a career opportunities program. This is designed to help establish the TCU athlete with the business world. Many local business men are participating in the program.

This should be a definite plus as far as the recruiting situation is concerned. "This program is only as effective as the boy makes it. It will be an advantage for him because he will be meeting potential employers. A boy who has received national acclaim won't give a darn about this program because he will almost certainly go on to professional football, but then again you can't play football all your life. This program will prepare a man for his future," Runnels explained. This program is the first of its kind in the nation.

And just what will determine the success of all this work on recruiting?

"If we get 10 or 12 young men who can help us on Saturdays this year and the rest as those who will help us in their sophomore years we'll be okay. We don't

want too many who will take three years to develop," Runnels said.

The horrible season last year may have been the foundation for a new top-flight football program here. Because of it the recruiting work has been long and grueling.

"We're down and we know it. There's no place to go but up. We're optimistic and we're in the running for some top ballplayers," Runnels explained. He paused for a second as he stared out his office window and across the artificial turf of the football stadium before he looked up again and said, "You know something? Our players sense all of this. They're busting their fanny to make the prospective recruits feel at home and all for nothing. It is a total effort. This has to be the best recruitment program I've seen in the four years I've been here."

About seven months of dedicated recruitment work will climax on Feb. 19, the national signing date. Feb. 4 is the Southwest Conference signing date. If a boy signs with TCU on Feb. 4, he cannot change his mind and go to another SWC school and play. But, he has until Feb. 19 to change his mind and play for another team in the nation.

Runnels and his "teammates" will be busy until the final minute because as he puts it, "This is a very crucial year in recruiting for us. It has to be successful. We'll get there. I believe."

Relief pitcher Tug McGraw of the New York Mets made those two words, "I believe" immortal back in 1972. He was referring to the chances of the New York Mets winning the world championship of baseball. They did.

## El Chico's to aid Waldrep

Five area El Chico Restaurants will have a special day for injured Horned Frog football player Kent Waldrep on Monday, Feb. 3.

All proceeds from food sales on that day will go to the Kent Waldrep fund to aid the 20-year old youth who remains paralyzed from the waist down as a result of the injury suffered in the TCU-Alabama game on Oct. 26.

Waldrep is still hospitalized in the Texas Institute of Research and Rehabilitation in Houston.

The five participating El Chico Restaurants are those located at 2859 W. Berry, 5336 Camp Bowie, Loop 820 & Highway 183 E., 1601 E. Division and the Seminary South shopping center location.

## Women fall to Tarleton

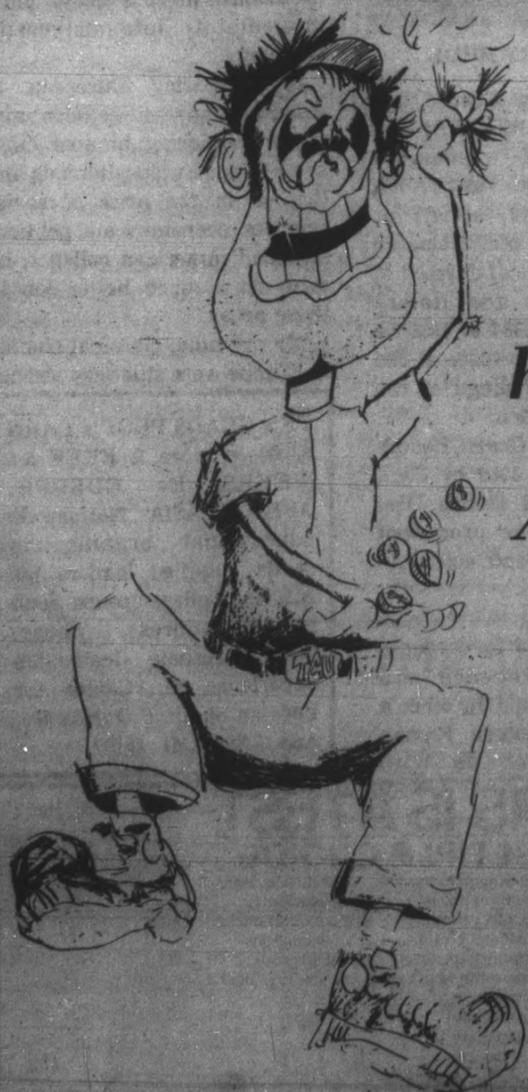
The women's basketball squad achieved a "moral victory" and another loss Monday night, losing to Tarleton State 74-44 in Stephenville.

Although Dr. Bob Frye's lassies lost by 30 points, he said the performance was 500 per cent better than the recent loss to Texas Wesleyan.

"The girls were pleased with their effort, and I was proud of that," Frye said.

Meanwhile, the junior varsity basketball team lost a close game to Richland Junior College last week, losing 82-80. Freshman Robert Hollie put on a dazzling show for the purples as he nailed 22 points. Dirk Hoyt, the JV's leading rebounder, pulled down 11 rebounds. This was the sixth loss in a row for the team, as they haven't won a game since their opening win over the same Richland team.

In other basketball action, the Frog varsity and junior varsity both played here last night after press deadline. The varsity played the Texas Longhorns, while the JV took on Mountain View Junior College of Dallas. Details tomorrow.



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