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News in Brief

Fallfest is from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. today at the Washington Street Campus mall.

KickFest 2002 film festival is Thursday through Saturday. Tickets are available from Panhandle Tickets outlets. A banquet at the Big Texan will begin at 6:30 p.m. today.

Last Day to drop classes is Nov. 19.

Race for the Cure registration is at 7:30 a.m. Saturday at 1500 Wallace Blvd. Cost is \$20.

Frito Pie Fund-raiser and membership drive for the Amarillo College Classified Employees Association will be 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Oct. 4 between Russell Hall and Orway Hall.

New Student Government members, elected this semester, are:

- Brad Van Valkenburg
- Ashley Forti
- Eric Clark
- Nicole Garcia
- Matt Jones
- Matt Johnson
- Heather Ramirez
- Scott Bibb
- Regan Baird
- Tim Baker
- Brett Hyndman
- Jonathan Parsons
- Tamara Seth
- Jennifer Norris
- Halee Davis
- Nic Barton
- Tyler McCarty
- Ben Carpenter
- Edwina Gallardo
- Johnathan Brack
- Jamie Blasengame
- Brandon Edwards
- Ryan Hill
- Jaclynn Pearse
- Lindsey Thorne
- Emily Artho
- James Murdock
- Jaklyn Brown
- Jacob Dodson

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Regents approve equipment, strategic plan, annexing land

BY TORI DURST
The Ranger Reporter

The board of regents discussed enrollment and took action on the strategic plan for 2002-2003 at its meeting Tuesday night.

Regents took action on revisions and changes to the strategic plan. The plan offered goals, and the regents discussed the plans that worked from last year.

Danita McAnally, institutional effectiveness and advancement director, said one focus of the plan last year was on college algebra for students.

"We bought calculators for the class, we started supplemental instruction and revised testing for placement, and it worked," McAnally said.

Brad Johnson, enrollment management director, presented enrollment data for the fall semester. "This semester, online enrollment increased by 97 percent since last fall," Johnson said.

McAnally said the retention of students for online classes is close in comparison to enrollment in interactive television courses, which she said is "practically unheard of."

Johnson also reported on students' ethnicity.

"Hispanics are the highest minority, making up 19.8 percent," he said. He said the smallest ethnic group, at 3 percent, is African-American, the only ethnicity that has lost numbers since 1998.

Johnson said students from 27 high schools are taking classes in the dual-credit program, which is the highest number of high schools ever to participate.

The low bidder, Dallas Offset, was approved for the printing of the Continuing Education class schedules. Dallas Offset was the lowest bidder at \$92,087.

The board approved purchase of 14 new Apple computers for the graphic design department for \$34,500. Another 12 Apple computers were approved for the journalism department for \$19,426.

"It really was time for the journalism students to have upgraded computers," said Mike Haynes, student publications adviser.

"The equipment in our lab was getting to the point where it was not preparing the students for working at commercial publications."

Funds for the computers will come from the 2002-2003 budget. President Bud Joyner said the school has a 10-year contract with Apple,

making the computer bids highly competitive.

Two Ford Crown Victoria vehicles were approved for the campus police. The total cost of the two vehicles is \$40,492.

Police Chief Mike Duvall said the cars are being purchased as part of the continual turnover of vehicles that are worn out.

"These cars will be used as line cars for on-duty officers," Duvall said.

"This is the first year the vehicles will be pulled from the police department budget. In the past, it was pulled from the physical plant budget."

Action was taken on annexation of land in portions of Sections 31 and 32 in Randall County near Hollywood Road.

The regents also approved financial statements and the tax roll.

A report from Beth Wilhite, Student Government Association president, said SGA members will attend a regional conference at Howard College in Big Spring.

The regents went into a closed meeting with the college attorney, Bob Sanders, concerning a lawsuit filed by the estate of Carl Wheat.

Joyner said there would be no action taken by the regents on the lawsuit.

Students, faculty prepare for race

BY JEFFREY STEBBINS
The Ranger Reporter

Students and faculty will represent Amarillo College at the 12th annual Race For the Cure Saturday at the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center. The nonprofit event benefits victims of breast cancer by earning money to be used for research.

The Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Fundation was founded by Nancy Brinker in memory of her sister Susan Komen, who lost a three-year battle with breast cancer.

The foundation donates funds to breast cancer research in search of a cure.

Brenda Wilkes, the AC Accessibility coordinator, said, "I would just like to see more participation, if possible, from the individuals on campus because breast cancer is so prevalent.

"I think it's a good opportunity for individuals to come together and work toward a common goal."

Angela Hughes, sponsor of Phi Theta Kappa, said the group is volunteering for the race. "They filled up all the volunteer spaces before we could sign up, which is awesome," Hughes said.

Phi Theta Kappa is having one of its members, pre-med major Casey Schlegel, run for the group.

Schlegel said she is running in the 5K and will be running in the 20- to 24-year-old division.

"Personally I am doing it for a good cause, and it feels good," Schlegel said, "even though I am running."

Bobbie Glasscock, executive secretary in the dean of instruction's office, said she is in charge of the race operation committee.

"I have been doing it for 11 years," Glasscock said.

"I enjoy doing it. It is a nationwide event."

"Every year I think am I going to do it again. I think I keep doing it because I lost my husband to cancer 10 years ago."

Glasscock said she is in charge of the start and finish lines, and she also is in charge of tabulating the results.

Glasscock said she also helps out with the Fine Arts Alliance 5K run sponsored by the art museum in June.

According to Cinda Courtney of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center, 25 percent of the funds raised are returned to the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation in Dallas.

The remaining 75 percent stays in Amarillo for the benefit of local breast cancer programs.

The race will be Saturday at the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center at 1500 Wallace Blvd. Registration starts at 7:30 a.m. The fee is \$20 per person.

Cancer survivors will be distinguished by wearing pink T-shirts and hats.

Winners in each age division and cancer survivors will receive prizes. Seven winners will receive watches from Barnes Jewelry.

The grand prize winner will receive round-trip airfare for two on American Airlines to any destination in the United States.

Contributions by Tori Durst

FM90 features morning show, prize parking spaces



Kevin King/The Ranger

The Benny and Theo Morning Show airs on FM90 from 6 a.m. to 9 a.m. The show started at the first of the fall semester.

Benny (C.J. Morgan, left) and Theo Teague, right, pose for a photo while doing their live show Tuesday.

Students experience hands-on in radio

BY KEVIN KING
The Ranger Reporter

"We love everybody — except that last caller," says Benny to his FM90 audience. Theo laughs and nods as Benny reaches to answer the phone again.

While they are off air, the repeat caller demands an apology for Benny's comment. Instead of the apology, the man gets a "click" followed by a dial tone.

The morning show at Amarillo College's FM90 with Benny and Theo has been going on a little over a month.

The show airs from 6 a.m. to 9 a.m. Monday through Friday on FM 89.9.

While listening to one of their shows, the listener may come to the assumption that Benny and Theo are two wild and crazy guys. In reality, C.J. Morgan and Theo Teague, both 20, attend regular classes at AC.

Theo would like to own an advertising company, and Benny just wants "to win." But right now they are getting all the attention on the radio and are having a great time with it. "It's a lot of fun," Theo said.

"We're popular," Benny said. "Phones are ringing off the hook."

Even though the show has not been on that

long, they are getting quite a few listeners.

Josh Cooper, a pre-architecture major, said he listens to the morning show often.

"I have my alarm set on FM90, so I pretty much listen to them every morning while I'm getting ready to go to school," Cooper said. "They are pretty funny."

Business major Chance Beasley said, "I don't usually like to listen to morning shows, but if I had to choose one, it would be Benny and Theo."

Benny and Theo are pleased with the attention they are getting from the younger crowd, but they also want to reach an older audience.

FM90 got some equipment for live remotes so they can go out on location, literally reaching out to their listeners.

The live remotes will put the station, as well as Benny and Theo, in the public eye. Their next on-location visit will be at Fallfest from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. today at the Washington Street Campus mall.

Other new FM90 events include weekly contests.

Every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, they put on the "late for class parking lot dash." They hold a parking spot on Jackson Street, and if students are running late for class, they can call in around 8:30 a.m. and tell Benny and Theo they

have been listening to the show.

Benny and Theo will have a parking spot reserved for the student.

Friday is all about love, Benny and Theo said, in case there has been a girl or guy a student has been eyeing in one of their classes.

Students can call Benny and Theo or e-mail them and the student can tell them that they want to be hooked up. Then they will be eligible for a drawing. The winner receives a dozen roses and a free meal.

Each Monday is "work stinks" day, when students can call in and tell Benny and Theo why their jobs stink.

The pair said they both look up to each other and respect each other's radio skills. "Benny's got a good on-mike talent," Theo said.

They do sometimes have different opinions of things. "We argue a lot," Theo said. "But I do think that he is better at this." Theo said Benny should get all the credit for the show since he got the morning show started.

Benny said he looks up to Dr. Paul Matney, chairman of the Language, Communication and Fine Arts Division, who is his instructor in Mass Media Survey.

"He is incredibly smart and knows everything," he said. "I look up to Dr. Matney and, of course, Theo."