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Magazine proposal progresses

JENNIFER BORDMAN
Page Editor

Plans for initiating a literary magazine at ASU were set into motion after a meeting Friday. ASU President Dr. Lloyd Vincent and Mike Ryan, assistant president and director of publications, met with several professors from the English department and other faculty members to make key decisions about the magazine proposal.

Friday's meeting was the most recent in a series of meetings the president and administrators have had about the formation of a literary magazine, Ryan

said. The magazine was originally proposed in April by Sigma Tau Delta, the Engineering Honor Society, and the idea was endorsed by the Student Senate earlier this year.

The meeting brought no major disagreements with the concept of a magazine, but some things must be worked out, Ryan said. Two points need to be explored — editorial guidelines and funding, he said.

Acceptable editorial guidelines must be set up and approved for the magazine to begin. A committee, headed by Ryan and composed of both student and faculty members, will now start creating a proposal of editorial guidelines and procedures to be submitted to administration for approval. Student members on the committee will include one from Alpha Chi Honor Society, one from Sigma Tau Delta, and Mike Boren, the Sigma Tau Delta vice-president who has been the main student force pushing the magazine proposal from its inception.

The question of funding for the magazine is yet to be resolved, Ryan said. The magazine proposal missed the normal funding process, which took place in April, he said.

"It's too early to say, 'yes, we're going to have a magazine,'" Ryan said. "If the funding could not be found, the decision of whether to support the magazine would go to the student fee committee."

The student fee committee, made up of five students, two faculty members and two administrators, makes decisions regarding funding for non-pledge activities and groups. This includes, athletics, cheerleaders, Ram Page, Ram-Ballet, band, and choir.

Although the literary magazine proposal was initiated by Sigma Tau Delta, Ryan said it will be a university publication.

"The university couldn't turn over money to a student organization," he said. "Sigma Tau Delta is not upset about that decision, Boren said. 'That's fair,' Ryan said. 'It probably will promote continuity in the publication. It will be more likely to come out in a timely fashion as a school publication. We feel we've provided a public service to the university by getting the magazine (started),'"

he added.

Boren also said he was pleased with the outcome of Friday's meeting. "It's a good understanding that the magazine has been endorsed in principle and there are some details to work out," he said. "It looked rocky for a while, but now it seems to be pretty much on course."

Assistant professor of English Terence Dalrymple, who attended Friday's meeting and will be a member of the editorial guideline committee, said he felt there was a very strong show of faculty support for the magazine.

"I'm very pleased. Things went very well," Dalrymple said. "Students who have been working to get the magazine should be very pleased. I think it's what they wanted."

Pretty campus doesn't come cheap

DARAH SMITH
Ram Page Staff Writer

Angelo State University's campus has long been noted for its aesthetic qualities. Naturally, impressive landscaping requires an extensive amount of funds and labor.

Many students have wondered just how much campus maintenance costs and how the funds are raised. Darrell Smith, physical plant director, answered these questions and expanded on other aspects of campus landscaping and maintenance.

Last year, \$38,000 was spent on grounds operations. This includes tools, irrigation repair, mowing equipment and other maintenance expenses. This year, \$45,000 is budgeted for grounds maintenance. Also, additional money is available in auxiliary funds through the president's office. Auxiliary funds are usually used for bedding plants and shrubbery.

Smith pointed out that grounds maintenance money is appropriated by the state and that none of it comes from fees paid by students. He also said the legislature budgets additional money for utilities, including

water and sewer services.

According to Smith, ASU President Dr. Lloyd Vincent has been a driving factor in campus beautification. "We feel that it's a big recruiting factor for us," Smith said.

Karlton Hagelstein, junior marketing/business major, agreed. "A lot of people say that they are wasting money, but appearance makes a difference. First impressions may not be everything, but you do notice them," he remarked.

To many students, one thing that really stands out is the splash of color added by the flowers. Smith said that many of the flowers grow from bulbs. "They're relatively cheap when you buy them in bulk like we do," he added.

Unfortunately, one drawback to having so many plants is that they have to be replaced quite often. Although many of the plants are perennials, a lot of them freeze in the winter.

They all require lots of water, especially during the summer months. At that time, five or six people water the grounds between 6 p.m. and 2 a.m. to comply with city regulations. To help make it a more efficient operation,

ASU invested a considerable amount of money in an underground, automated sprinkler system.

Some students aren't pleased with the amount of water used on campus grounds.

"I think the campus is beautiful and well-kept, but the use of water on campus is negligent and wasteful," said Todd Campbell, junior business administration major.

"I think they waste entirely too much water on it," agreed Shanna Smith, sophomore elementary education major.

Seventeen full-time employees are responsible for all grounds maintenance jobs, such as shrubbery pruning, disposal, litter pick-up, watering, mowing and sweeping. Several students are also employed full-time during the summer.

Smith said he feels the beauty of the campus affects not only the students and faculty of ASU, but the entire community as well. He added that he has heard many compliments on the landscaping, and he enjoys walking through the campus to appreciate its beauty.

"I support grounds maintenance 100 percent," he said.



The UCPC booth was the center of attention at Round-up Sept. 20. Marci Battles, sophomore physics major, looks through information as Daren Lloyd, sophomore kinesiology major, and Tom Hohman, senior physics major, stand by. (Photo by Kenny Segler)

Drug, alcohol awareness program begins on campus

By AMY SIMS
Ram Page Staff Writer

In conjunction with a new school policy, several new programs are being introduced at ASU to educate students about substance and alcohol abuse. Associate Dean of Student Life Willene Siler said the new programs include speakers, tapes, films, posters, and flyers.

One of the events planned to carry out the new anti-drug/alcohol policy is the Red Ribbon Campaign, sponsored by the Texans' War on Drugs. The campaign, set for Oct. 23 through Oct. 29, is designed to encourage a drug-free campus. Students who want to get involved may attend a meeting today at 3 p.m. in Room 201 of the Administration/Journalism Building.

The student life office began its anti-substance abuse programs at registration by handing out information about several different drugs. Also, ASU athletes listened to Dr.

Susan Dalterio of the University of Texas at San Antonio speak about steroids.

The new ASU policy on substance abuse and a drug-free campus states that "a drug-free awareness program has been established at Angelo State University to inform students, faculty and staff about the dangers of drug abuse; the policy of maintaining a drug-free University campus; any available drug counseling, rehabilitation and or assistance programs; and the penalties that may be imposed upon students, faculty and staff..."

Siler said other planned activities

include an Alcohol Awareness Week for this fall and a Health Week for the spring. Flyers listing contacts and phone numbers of resources to contact about substance and alcohol abuse will be printed, she said.

A videocassette recorder and television for watching tapes about drug abuse is available to students in the University Clinic.

Students, faculty and administration members with ideas about planning anti-drug/alcohol programs can contact the student life office, and a substance abuse education committee is being formed.

Student places in photo contest

By GARY CUTRER
Ram Page Staff Writer

"Cookie, we better be having some grub besides beans tonight."

So might go a conversation over a particular pay phone pictured on a rural fence post in a prize-winning photo.

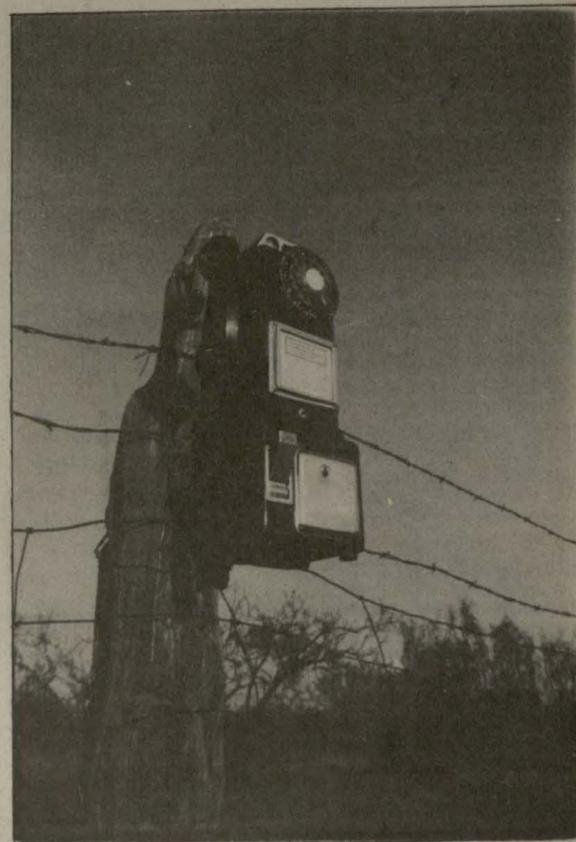
The shot was composed by sophomore art major Janette Sloper, who won a \$250 award for third place in a photo contest commemorating the centennial of the public telephone.

Published in the July 1989 issue of Public Communications magazine, Sloper's entry placed third among some 250 efforts submitted by college students from around the United States. Sloper, 32, said that the award came as "kind of a surprise...they didn't tell me I had won until August."

The original 8-by-10, black and white print was part of her final assignment for last spring's basic photography course, taught by assistant instructor Tom Clemens of the journalism department.

"I try to find a contest for my basic and advanced students to enter at the end of each semester and encourage them to do so," Clemens said.

Sloper said that she took the course because she'd "always wanted to learn how to develop and print... pictures." She added that she's always been interested in photography and will continue to enjoy it as a hobby. What happened to the prize money? It was "put to good use," the award-winning photographer said.



Janette Sloper's third place photo wins \$250.

6,408 breaks record

The final numbers are in and ASU's enrollment is up 74 students, or 1.2 percent, from last fall. The total number is 6,408, said Manuel Lujan, dean of admissions and registrar.

This breaks the previous record high enrollment set in 1983 with 6,345 students.

There were no big changes in enrollment within classifications. The freshmen decreased 157 from last year, to 2,200 this semester. The sophomore count increased to 1,405, up 167.

The number of juniors and seniors also grew from last year, with tallies of 1,070 and 1,195 — increases of 51 and 23 — respectively.

Graduate student enrollment dropped from 442 to 405 this fall. The unclassified students (those without degrees, seeking a second degree or adding a teaching degree) increased to 133 from last year's 106, Lujan said.

Breaking it down into ethnic groups for undergraduates: Anglo students number 4,836; Hispanics total 754; and black enrollment is 275.

In other groups: 56 Asian or Pacific island students; 15 American Indian or Alaskan natives; and 67 international students.

More females than males attend ASU this year with women making up 53.9 percent of the total enrollment.

Along with quantity, the quality of enrollment has also improved significantly. Ninety-nine percent of the entering freshmen this year graduated in the top half of their high school classes and 60 percent graduated in the top quarter.

Opinion

A plea to smokers

By JENNIFER BORDMAN
Ram Page Editor

A couple of recent events brought some questions about smoking to my attention. Here at ASU the right of smokers to light up where they please may begin to be more and more limited. The Student Senate last week discussed plans to further limit smoking in any or all buildings on campus. Really it's just an extension of a national, and maybe even world, trend "against" smoking.

More and more public buildings are limiting, and even eliminating smoking areas. Airlines are no longer even giving passengers the option of sitting in a smoking or non-smoking section because on many flights, especially short ones, there is no smoking section. All of this attention seems to indicate that a lot of people out there don't like to or want to be around people who smoke.

All of this aside, I didn't feel compelled to address the smoking issue until I read an article Monday in "Dear Abby." Although her column is sometimes trivial and silly, in this case one of the writers had a lot to say. A woman wrote in about how her mother had recently died of severe lung disease as a result of more than 50 years of smoking cigarettes. The woman explained how everyone in her family had worried and tried for years to get the mother to quit, but to no avail. She ended the letter saying: "I don't have a mother now, and my children, ages 12 and 18, don't have a grandma anymore. Please, quit smoking now, if not for yourself, then for those who love you."

That letter scared me. It brought tears to my eyes, not only because it was a sad story, but because my mother also smokes. In fact, both of my parents do. I have been a constant nag to both of them to quit for a long time. Their response, like many smokers, goes from annoyed, to angry, to nonchalant.

When questioning why they even decided to start smoking, I have heard the same answer several times. They told me that when they were growing up, they weren't really aware of the dangers involved with smoking. The health risks weren't an issue and it "was the thing to do," they said. And it mostly likely was. Watching movies of the '40s and '50s can easily convince someone that yes, a lot of people did smoke.

Today, however, smokers cannot use ignorance as a defense. The dangers of smoking have been greatly publicized. More and more warnings are showing up everywhere you turn about the dangers of smoking. The American Lung Association and the American Cancer Society campaign on television commercials and through pamphlets about all the risks and plead "it's a matter of life and breath." They even point out, in rather blunt ads, how selfish it is for mothers to let their babies be subjected to the dangers of smoking either during or after pregnancy.

Cigarettes cannot even be advertised in the broadcast media. The print media have been clever about the issue; they rarely even show a cigarette in their ads. Or they imply that smoking a certain brand will give a person certain desirable attributes. I doubt that. What it will probably give you are some very undesirable attributes.

Because I've seen both of my parents try to quit, temporarily succeed, and ultimately start again, I know it isn't easy. I know that it's a form of addiction. But although it can be painful and difficult, even an addiction can be controlled - and stopped.

Although because I am a non-smoker and my parents' smoking has brought me to detest it, I don't think the answer to this problem lies in limiting smoking areas. However, I would agree that non-smokers should not have to suffer because smokers chose to treat their bodies so badly.

No, the solution does not even involve the question of where one can smoke. It involves why one should smoke, why one does smoke. As many experts in the war on drugs program advocate, the solution lies in the attitude. The attitude has got to proceed in the direction it has been going - smoking is not cool, it's not the thing to do. It's detrimental to your health.

Smokers simply have to want to quit. No one can force them and no one can really help them. In fact, over the years, I've often thought that my constant nagging might have even worsened my parents' smoking because they were sick of listening to me gripe. I've gone with them to countless restaurants and other public places where it sometimes is a very big hassle to either obtain an ashtray or find a smoking section. Still, none of these hassles has persuaded them to quit.

In my case, I probably will still nag and maybe even plead a little to get my parents to quit smoking after reading the "Dear Abby" article. But for everyone else, I'd like to offer not advice, but simply an opinion. Take all the energy you spend, or are going to spend fighting and being hassled about where you can or cannot smoke and use it to start fighting an even bigger battle -- the urge to smoke. Please quit.



Forum

Do you think there should be fewer smoking areas in the buildings on campus?



"No, they are already limited to just a few areas anyway. Giving them fewer areas to smoke doesn't solve the problem." - Tommy Thompson, junior accounting major.



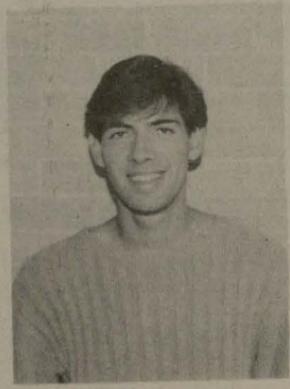
"I think that if you want to smoke you can, anywhere, anytime. We shouldn't discriminate against those who do, just because we don't." - Jimmie Myra, freshman pre-engineering major.



"I think that people, if they absolutely have to smoke, should smoke in one or two designated break areas, which should be located outside." - Alex Alexieff, sophomore undecided major.



"I think if people wanted to smoke, they should step outside." Gary Freeman, junior business management major.



"No, Definitely not. Granted, I don't smoke. I do respect the rights of smokers. If non-smokers don't like the smoke in the buildings, they can go around. Let the non-smokers bend a little for change. Keep the recent smoking areas. Don't add or subtract them." - Andy Ferriere, junior finance major.



"I seriously think the idea of having smoking areas is a waste of space. People should take the extra effort to walk outside." - Theresa Howard, freshman pre-med major.

Organization in the spotlight

Delta Sigma Pi

By BLAKE SINCLAIR
Ram Page Reporter

Delta Sigma Pi is a popular choice among ASU business majors as an extra-curricular activity. Dr. Thomas A. Bankston, Delta Sigma Pi sponsor, describes the business fraternity as a very active organization.

Delta Sigma Pi is a refreshing change from some of the other passive organizations on campus, Bankston says; all active members are expected to participate fully.

Bankston says that some of the students are shocked at the amount of work involved in being a member of

Delta Sigma Pi. The fact that each semester several new members drop out should indicate to those students interested in Delta Sigma Pi that it is a time-consuming organization.

Bankston explains that even though being a member requires a lot of time and effort, the fraternity is always moving in a positive direction.

The fraternity sponsor points out that while Delta Sigma Pi's official purpose is the study of business in universities, it has also been involved in community services, such as the American Heart Association and the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

Letters to the editor

Editor,

Being a senior, I have been an avid reader of *The Ram Page* for over three years now. Each year a new editor takes over, and things take a while to run smoothly. Aware of this, I was patient when I saw two articles end in mid-sentence in the first issue, and I was satisfied when I saw the corrections in the following week.

However, I still have not seen an explanation or apology for the article in the September 14th issue about participation in speech tournaments that omitted a few key words in transition from one column to another. The article suggested that participants

"have to be a speech major," out the key word "DON'T" to see a correction, but as of not.

My only hope is that *The Ram Page* will improve with age this year and will perhaps focus on full pages with more quality article advertisements.

And *The Ram Page* editor accuses the Student Senate of things unfinished...

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In Advance

Time to pay

Billment payments on student tuition and housing fees are due by Oct. 9. Payments will be taken from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the fiscal office Administration-Journalism Building.

Yearbooks being distributed

1988-89 yearbooks are being distributed in Room 202 of Administration-Journalism Building. They can be picked up between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Students must show identification to receive their yearbooks. Those who have receipts should bring them. The 1987-88 yearbooks can be picked up at the information desk in the University Center. Students must sign for yearbooks and show ID. Yearbooks not picked up by Oct. 9 will be put on sale on a first come, first served basis in Room 202 of the Administration-Journalism Building. They can be purchased from 8 a.m. to noon and from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Cost will be \$15. Students who ordered a book and did not pick it up by Oct. 9 may get a refund if there are no books available.

Ram Gaming Association meetings

Ram Gaming Association meetings are held Tuesdays at 6 p.m. in Room 204 in the University Center.

More Senate seats open

There is an open seat in electorate D, undeclared, on the Student Senate. There is also a vacancy in electorate A, accounting, economics, finance, and marketing. Students who are interested in running for the electorate must have their applications filled out and returned to the Student Senate office in the University Center by Friday. Those who wish to run for the electorate A seat must have their applications in by Oct. 6. The seat will be filled at the meeting on Monday.

Honor organization schedules speaker

Kappa Delta Pi, the honor organization for education majors, invites all members to attend a meeting on European studies tonight in Room 101 of the Education-Fine Arts Building. The guest speaker, Dr. James Hademenos, director of the education department, will be speaking on "A Journey to Europe." To be a member of Kappa Delta Pi, one must be an education major with a grade point average of 3.0 or above.

Catholic Center weekly activities

The Student Catholic Center, located on the corner of Dena and Johnson, will study dreams at lunch Friday. Fee is \$1. For next week, the activities planned are as follows: a \$1 lunch plus liturgy study on Monday, a \$1.25 lunch following Mass at noon Wednesday, and a \$1 lunch and Mass study on Oct. 6.

Speaker planned

World population expert Werner Fornos will be speaking Tuesday in the University Center Ballroom at 9:30 a.m.

Homecoming queen elections

Homecoming queen elections will be Oct. 7 and 8 in the University Center and Business-Computer Science Building. Times for voting will be posted. Everyone is encouraged to participate in the voting.

Reserve your carnival booth

It's time to reserve Homecoming Carnival booths. If an organization wants to guarantee having the same booth it had last year, the group must contact Kim Knowles at 942-3188 by Friday. After Friday, booths can be reserved on a first come, first served basis. Final deadline to reserve a booth is Oct. 6.

Dorm association soaps cars

Men's Massie Association is having a car wash Sunday in the Wal-Mart parking lot on Southwest Blvd. from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Honor society induction planned

Alpha Chi National Honor Society will have their fall induction Oct. 4 at 7 p.m. in the U.C. Conference Center. All present members are cordially invited to attend.



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Carr legacy lives on at ASU

By TANYA SCOTT
Ram Page Staff Writer

"No two individuals did more for young people in the history of higher education than Robert and Nona Carr," said ASU President Dr. Lloyd Vincent, a longtime friend of the couple. The Carr name, in the form of scholarships, has helped many ASU students pay for their education. Here's the story of the people behind the name.

Robert Carr was born in Kentucky, November 9, 1895, to a tobacco buyer. He was raised the oldest of six children in a family that survived many difficult times.

No one dreamed that a young boy who picked worms from tobacco leaves would touch the lives of so many people.

He attended college in Kentucky and went to work for the railroad in 1916. He was transferred to Houston as a freight dispatcher.

While staying at the city's YMCA, he encountered several men in the oil business. "The oil bug bit him," Vincent said.

Carr went to work for Producers Oil Company, the producing division of the Texas Company, now Texaco. Then, in 1918, he joined Humble Oil Company. As chief of Humble's New Land Department, he conducted land, leasing and scouting activities.

He opened the first Humble office in San Angelo, and before leaving the company in 1926 was in charge of 210 men.

Carr and Preston "Prep" Northup were old friends from the Houston days. In 1925, they formed the Northup and Carr Agency. A year later, Carr moved to San Angelo. The Northup and Carr agency became the exclusive leasing agents for Texas Pacific Land Trust, leasing mineral interests for the drilling of oil and gas. Also, they leased for ranchers, bought and sold royalties, and acted as independent leasing agents. Northup and Carr were partners from 1926 to 1940. After Northup left in 1940, Carr continued the business for ten more years.

Carr's enormous estate was accumulated in his years with the Northup and Carr Agency. "He was always providing money for those who needed it," Vincent noted.

Vincent said Robert Carr and his wife Nona soon became known for the kindness in their hearts.

They built the Texas Christian University Chapel, the San Angelo Salvation Army's Chapel, gave funds to the Boy Scouts and contributed to the San Angelo Christian Church. Robert headed the disaster team after the tornado of 1953, which devastated San Angelo's Lakeview area.

"They never talked about their money," Vincent said. And, Carr summed up the couple's attitude toward giving when he spoke at the dedication service of the Nona Carr Chapel and Community Center: "I promised to God that if he allowed me to have a great deal of money, I would try to be a faithful steward of what he gave me."

Throughout the course of his life

Carr received many noteworthy praises. Included were letters of praise from President Gerald Ford and former Texas governor Dolph Briscoe. A special accolade came from the San Angelo Standard-Times in 1954, and the prestigious Air University and Man of the Year awards followed in 1976.

Carr served on the first Board of Trustees of San Angelo College (the former name for ASU) from 1945-55. He also was a member of the San Angelo School Board from 1951-54, and for 23 years, he served on the Texas Christian University school board.

In 1949 the Standard-Times editorialized, "Robert Carr's main interest for many years now has been to help young people get good starts in life through education... Success in the oil business has enabled him to do these things."

According to Dr. Vincent, the Carr family was very close. "They (Robert and Nona) always planned the money issues together." The couple had one daughter, Nona Gay, and three grandchildren.

When Robert Carr died on March 17, 1978, he left no money. Instead, he left all of his mineral and royalty interests in 16 Texas counties to ASU. In 11 years, the endowment has grown to almost \$20 million for just his half. And today, the Carr Foundation averages around \$7,000 a day from royalty income.

The money in the foundation goes toward the salaries of the employees and brochures for the foundation, as well as scholarships. ASU currently

awards approximately \$1.7 million in scholarships a year, according to Wana Dee Box, Carr Foundation records manager.

When Nona Carr passed away on June 17, 1987, she likewise left her half of the mineral and royalty interests to ASU. Her bequest, Vincent said, could make it possible for the fund to grow to \$25 million by September 1990 — and to \$50 million in the next 10 to 12 years.

There were two plaques outside Robert's study that read: "What we do for others remains immortal. What we do for ourselves dies with us." Vincent feels the sayings accurately reflect the lives of his dear friends, the Carrs.

Nona liked to quote part of an old hymn: "I would be true, for there are those that trust me; I would be pure, for there are those who care; I would be strong, for there is much to suffer; I would be brave, for there is much to dare; I would be friend to all... the foe... the friendless; I would be giving and forget the gift; I would be humble, for I know my weakness; I would look up... and laugh... and love... and lift."

Vincent feels that many students who could not otherwise receive a college education can get help, thanks to the Carrs' generosity.

Robert and Nona Carr didn't just leave a multimillion dollar endowment, he said. "They left a remarkable legacy for Angelo State University and West Texas."

It's a gift that shows how much the Carrs really cared about young people. "It's forever," Vincent said.

High ideals are the hallmark of new organization on campus

The elimination of prejudice, equality for men and women and world peace are goals of the Baha'i Association, a new organization on campus.

The Association is dedicated to a world agenda for finding solutions for economic problems, racial inequalities, universal education and uniting the Earth into a global community.

"Everything that is done towards world peace is done by individuals, sometimes they are part of a group, but it is all done by individuals," said Velma Rogers, founder of the local chapter.

Student Senate fills seats

The Angelo State Student Senate met Monday night in a four-hour conference to accept the resignation of Senator Dale Moseley and fill seven vacancies within the Senate.

Electorate seats that were appointed for Electorate E were filled by Gina Chapa, drama major, and Kelby Hagar, sophomore government major. In Electorate B, seats were assigned to Marcos Gonzales, junior education major, and Mark Mata, junior government major. Sophomore pre-med major Christopher Piel and senior math major Pam Burson took the Electorate C seats, with Electorate G going to Kitty So, junior account-

ing major.

Both Electorates B and G were filled "at-large," meaning there were empty seats in those electorates and no applications to fill those seats; so, they were filled with appointees from other electorates. Two seats remain vacant; one in Electorate D, undeclared majors, and one in Electorate A, accounting, economics, finance, and marketing majors.

Other business included the acceptance of Moseley's resignation, which was submitted for personal reasons.

The next meeting will be held Monday at 7 p.m. in the U.C. Conference Room.

Rogers said most of the charter members are older with a wider world view than the average ASU student.

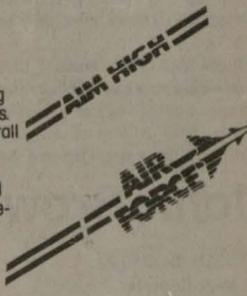
"I have found that the typical student usually doesn't know much about the world outside of Texas, sometimes even outside of San Angelo," Rogers said.

While the Baha'i Association is based on the teachings of the Baha'u'llah, the spiritual leader of the Baha'i Faith, being a member of the Baha'i Faith is not required and anyone interested in the goals of the organization is welcome to join.

Rogers encourages anyone interested to come to the first meeting Monday at 3:30 p.m. in the University Center Snack Bar or to call her at 655-2335.

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Monica Thomas rehearses a dance routine in "The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas." (Photo by Jonathan Taylor)

'The Best Little' musical in Texas

By JONATHAN TAYLOR
Ram Page Staff Writer

"There's a whorehouse in Texas!" So proclaims the Angelo Civic Theatre as it prepares for the upcoming production of "The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas."

Centering around the problems of a brothel known as the Chicken Ranch, the musical pits a group of "working girls" against a television talk show host who attempts to close the house down.

The play, with its cast of actors and dancers from the San Angelo community, opened its doors to include nine ASU students.

According to Shana D. Roberts, a junior business major, the experience of working alongside seasoned cast mates is very enlightening. "Everyone plays at least one or two parts, except for the main characters," Roberts said. "It's neat to work with someone who knows what they're doing."

An example of art imitating life, this satirical romp had its beginning as an article written by Larry King in an early 1973 edition of *Playboy* magazine. King's story depicted the

fall of a little Texas town's most cherished institution, the Chicken Ranch. A brothel that had been around since the 1890s, the "Ranch" was an accepted part of the La Grange community (named "Gilbert" in the play), servicing everyone from politicians and townspeople to passing cowboys and college football teams.

In 1973, along came Texas TV personality Marvin Zindler (character Melvin P. Thorpe in the play), who pledged to end "this perversion" in a personal crusade. He forced Sheriff Ed Earl Dodd to shut the house down on the orders of the acting governor, Dolph Briscoe. The governor, like the sheriff, had been subjected to embarrassing ridicule on television.

Soon after King's story on the brothel was published, a friend of his suggested that it would make a great musical comedy. That idea, which King had not anticipated, was later fueled by the arrivals of Carol Hall, who wrote the score, and Peter Masterson, who co-wrote the script with King.

Except for a few name changes, this piece of history was turned into a spicy musical comedy. It went from

off-Broadway to become an on-Broadway smash.

Considering that some of the scenes in this sexy musical may be a bit "hot" for some tastes, minors won't be allowed to attend the performances. The play's risqué content hasn't caused much of a problem, even though some of the actresses did feel uncomfortable at first.

"Being an actress, you have to deal with it," junior drama major Laura Gilbreth said. Gilbreth plays Eloise, one of the singing and dancing ladies of questionable repute. "You really have to know what you're doing," she said.

Some of the other ASU students in the cast include Stoddard Owens, freshman drama major and ex-radio personality for KTEO-FM, and senior drama major Michelle Speiker.

Performances of "The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas" will run from Oct. 12 to 14, Oct. 19 to 21, and Oct. 26 to 28. Tickets will be available to Angelo Civic Theatre subscribers beginning Oct. 2. Non-subscribers can begin buying tickets Oct. 9, for \$10 each. Box office hours are noon to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Saturday.

with him, the old South.

Carver said he selected "John Brown's Body" as an "artistically fascinating work..." and because he feels it will be a rewarding experience for the audience. "They will come out of the theater saying, 'this has made a difference in my life and I was entertained.'"

"John Brown's Body" was extensively rewritten for the ASU stage by Carver. He believes that in order to be creative, a director should not always take the author's words literally, but should adapt them. "You want something that dazzles and excites your audience," he said.

ASU's choir, directed by assistant professor of music Paula Homer, sings throughout the performance. Carver feels that this contributes to the overall effect of making "John Brown's Body" more like a movie.

Yvonne Lujan, Vern McKinney, Rob Stephens, and Chris Whatley star in the show. It opens Tuesday, Oct. 3

at 8 p.m. in the modular theater. Nightly performances will run through Oct. 7, and will close with an matinee Oct. 8 at 2 p.m.

Admission is \$1.50 with ASU ID and \$4 general admission. Tickets are on sale at the box office in the Education/Fine Arts Building.

Goals reach beyond beauty pageant

By PATRICIA GREEN
Ram Page Features Editor

Henry David Thoreau said "Dreams are the touchstones of our characters." If it was possible to touch the dreams of 22-year-old Stacy Smith, an ASU junior, one would feel determination, drive and ambition.

Enthusiasm is a trait that has delivered Smith through strenuous competition in many beauty pageants. One of the most prestigious competitions she has won is the Miss San Angelo pageant. As Miss San Angelo she went on to compete for the title of Miss Texas U.S.A. Out of 96 contestants she was selected to be one of the 12 feature dancers in the pageant's production.

"My goal going into the pageant was to compete with myself and be the best that I could be," Smith said. Even though Smith did not make the finals, she considered her time and effort well spent.

"I've done a lot of notable things in my life... but never have I been more proud and felt more self-worth than I did standing on that stage," she said.

"Competitions are tougher than most people think. "It isn't all the glitz and glamour that you see on T.V.," Smith said. "Eighty-five percent of the time the girls are rehearsing for the pag-



Stacy Smith

ent. All we really wanted to do on our free time was eat and sleep."

Her drive for advancement propels her to succeed in school and work just as she has done in competition. She is focusing now on getting her degree while working at the West Texas Sports Medical Center, a division of St. John's Hospital. She hopes to pursue a career in public relations and advertising for the Center.

Smith's latest accomplishment will be to appear on the cover of the *Wild West Women* 1990 swimsuit calendar which will be distributed in San

Angelo in November. Smith is a native of Mesquite. She began competing in pageants following high school graduation. She was a finalist in the Miss Mesquite pageant and won a scholarship to Southwest Texas State University. She was also a top 10 finalist in the San Antonio Rodeo Queen pageant. She is attending school on a scholarship based on her academic achievements and previous accomplishments.

Aside from competing in beauty pageants, Smith additionally works at the time to try out with 1,800 other girls for a spot as a Dallas Cowboy, both team leader with her identical twin sister Tracy, in 1985.

"We were the first set of identical twins ever to be selected as Dallas Cowboy Cheerleaders," she said. Smith also appeared as an acting extra on the T.V. series *Dallas*.

Smith will be giving up her title of Miss San Angelo, Saturday night at the Miss San Angelo and Miss Angelo Teen pageant at the city auditorium. About crowning her successor Smith said, "I would like to see everyone involved in my success as Miss San Angelo 1989."

She will always have a reputation to uphold. "People expect a lot of me, but that comes with the territory. I've always tried to be the best that I can be," Smith said.

Dancers perform Flamenco at ASU

By DARAH SMITH
Ram Page Staff Writer

With the grace of a cat and the explosiveness of a volcano, Maria Benitez and her Spanish Dance Company fascinated the audience Monday night in the ASU auditorium.

The Maria Benitez Spanish Dance Company specializes in flamenco dancing, which originated in Spain. The art of flamenco lies not only in the dance, but also in the traditional Spanish music and brilliantly colored costumes that go with it.

Dancing in the performance, sponsored by the University Center Program Council Arts Committee, were Rosa Mercedes, Joaquina Cala, Cristina Masdueno, Gabriel Sanchez and Benitez. Guitarists Jose Valle Fajardo and Arcadio Marin accompanied and vocalist Alfonso Luque Guadix provided the music.

Benitez and her husband, Cecilio, founded the dance company in 1972. Based in Santa Fe, N.M., the troupe has performed all over the United States and abroad. Before major tours, rehearsals are usually held in Madrid, Spain, under the direction of some of the finest Spanish choreographers.

The majority of spectators at Monday night's performance were townspeople of San Angelo and surrounding areas. Flamenco was a new expe-

rience for some of the audience, while others were long-time fans of the dance form.

"I think it's fabulous!" said Beatrice Socha. "I love the hand movements."

"It was beautiful—all of it! They are all very good dancers," remarked Paloma Rickey, a native of Spain who used to be a professional flamenco dancer and now teaches it.

"I loved it! They were fabulous!" said Rebecca White, 14-year-old student of Rickey's.

A number of spectators noted the exceptional amount of energy the dancers showed. The fancy footwork also brought up a very interesting question:

"I'm wondering how long their shoes last," said Doris Block.

According to Benitez, that depends upon the quality of the floor. She said that the shoes usually last about two months, but if the floor is in good condition, they can last six to eight

months with a lot of care.

Since Benitez started her dance when she was 10 years old, naturally her whole life has been centered around dance. She said that all there are days when she and the members of the troupe just don't like dancing, they know the must go on.

"We're professionals. We have our best always," she said.

Benitez added that a warm, receptive audience helps keep her motivated, and that she enjoys going to Spain and watching other performers. However, she pointed out the biggest motivating force must come from within.

"I think you always have to have an innate sense of trying to better yourself," she said.

The crowd at the performance was larger than the UCPC Arts Council had expected, which was a pleasant surprise.

'John Brown's Body' opens Tuesday

By COLIN BORSTEL
Ram Page Reporter

Arts at ASU will open the 1989-90 season with "John Brown's Body," a play by Stephen Vincent Benet.

Director Dr. Raymond Carver, professor of drama, feels that "John Brown's Body" gives a more realistic account of the Civil War than the ones usually presented in such works as "Gone With the Wind" or "North and South."

The show follows several different lines of action. It first introduces us to abolitionist John Brown, who was instrumental in stirring up unrest before the Civil War.

The main portion of the play takes place during the war, and the audience sees leaders and followers, lovers and fighters on both sides.

Brown was captured at Harper's Ferry and later hanged, becoming a martyr in the North. After the war, John Brown's body is buried — and

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Belles volleyball opens conference at 2-0 Rambelles ranked No. 19

WOLFENBARGER Sports Editor

Belles defeated West Texas Eastern New Mexico on the weekend to open Lone Star conference volleyball play with a 2-0 record.

Belles staged a major upset conference rival West Texas State in Canyon, as they demolished the nationally-ranked Lady Buffs 3-0, 3-15, 15-10, 17-15.

The two-hour and 12-minute volleyball match was the conference's longest for both teams.

West Texas, defending Lone Star Conference champion, was ranked No. 19 in the United States Volleyball Association poll of NCAA Division II teams.

Friday ASU defeated Eastern New Mexico 15-5, 15-11, 17-15 to set their conference record to 2-0 overall.

Kathleen Brasfield was named the Lone Star Conference volleyball player of the week. She had

the best that they could play," she said. "They (the ASU players) kept their poise; they played with confidence.

"We served tough; we made some mistakes, but we took advantage of the mistakes they made," she said. "I think WT was not completely mentally prepared for us, maybe they took us a little too lightly. We played tough at the net (and) we had some great digs — overall we just played tough."

Senior outside hitter Patricia Horny led the Belles with 12 kills and 14 saves. Sophomore outside hitter Donna King came through with 10 kills and 10 saves, while freshman middle hitter Gail Allison and sophomore middle hitter Joy Lane each had nine kills.

Against ENMU, senior middle hitter Roxanne Barrera had 14 kills, while Horny had 13, King had 12 and Lane had 11. Allison slammed in four service aces.

Allison, from San Angelo Central, was named the Lone Star Conference volleyball player of the week. She had

22 kills, seven service aces, seven blocks and one save during the two conference games.

Junior setter Yami Garcia said she was pleased with the way the team worked together against West Texas.

"We just played relaxed, we never gave up and we played with a lot of poise," she said. "Everyone played together. We did it as a team.

"It was a lot of fun," she said. "We had a good time because we played so relaxed. Nobody got shook up if they made a mistake. It was great."

Horny said she felt that West Texas was not expecting the Belles to be a factor in the LSC.

"I think we were real fired up since they beat us last year," she said. "We wanted to play them and we knew that we could play with them."

Horny said that with the win, the rest of the conference will know that ASU is a team to be reckoned with.

"Everybody knows now what we can do and so everybody is going to be after us like they used to be," she said.

After winning the conference four



Gail Allison

straight years, the Rambelles went through a dry spell, with the title going to East Texas State in 1986 and 1987 and to West Texas State in 1988.

Horny said the pressure coming from other teams makes the Belles play better.

"We play tough when we know we have to," she said.

By AMY WOLFENBARGER Ram Page Sports Editor

Tuesday the Rambelles moved into the No. 19 spot on the American Volleyball Coaches Association poll, for the first time this season.

The poll, sponsored by Tachikari, placed California-Riverside in the top spot, while West Texas' Lady Buffs are ranked seventh, dropping down from No. 6 after losing to ASU.

The Belles, with a 9-5 record, finished in third place in the Lone Star Conference last season behind West Texas and East Texas.

After defeating West Texas State and Eastern New Mexico in Lone Star Conference play, the Belles face Cameron University and Central State University this weekend.

Other teams in the conference include Abilene Christian, East Texas State, Texas A&I and Texas Woman's University, an addition to the conference.

Cameron and Central State, both located in Oklahoma, have improved

since last year, said Coach Kathleen Brasfield.

"Cameron has a really good setter and they play good defense," she said. "Central State also plays good defense.

ASU defeated Cameron 15-3, 15-1, 15-6 and 15-9, 15-4, 17-15 last season in conference play.

Against Central State, the Belles won 15-10, 15-2, 15-5 and 15-0, 15-10, 15-5.

"Our goal this weekend is to serve tough and to be patient on offense. The win should be a positive factor in the next few games," Brasfield said.

"To beat them on the road gives us an advantage in the conference," she said.

"Now it's up to us to back it up and keep that advantage. How we do in the next two matches is important," she said.

The Belles face Cameron Friday 7:00 in the Physical Education building.

Saturday, ASU will play Central State Saturday at 2:00.



'Bad' boys shoot down Bullets
At left, Silver Bullets quarterback Troy Rich throws to Cody Haire (#4) while Greg Doherty looks on. Bad Company defeated the Bullets 43-7. At right, more action in the Bad Company-Bullets game.



Ducks win 29-0

DOM NURRE Page Reporter

Intramural Flag Football is in full swing. In past years, the regular season would just be starting, but this year there is a slightly different format.

Intramural Director Jelly said the Ducks used the touchdown reception of quarterback Robert Lee to receiver Lee Villarreal and a strong defense to hammer out a 29-0 victory over the Rookies.

In other action, the Projectile Bombers, Bad Company and Too Cool posted victories.

In field three, the women were also in action. In a game dominated by the Bombers, Christie Comer scored twice and Don't Ask Me past the Lambda Express 14-7.

The score overshadows a fine performance by the Express' Ginger Roosen.

"Ginger really played well," Donna Ward of the Express said. "We just couldn't get past their defense."

In the other women's game, AKR defeated The First Floor.

Anyone wanting to support an intramural flag football team can check the schedules posted on the bulletin boards in the gym.

'Belles cross country 20th

Meet in Clinton, Mo.

The Rambelle cross country team is ranked 20th in the National Collegiate Athletic Association Division II poll.

Coach Kathy Wadley said Tuesday the ranking was made before the Belles defeated Abilene Christian at the Wildcat Invitational Sept. 16 in Abilene.

"I'm hoping we'll move up in the polls because of the win against ACU," she said.

The Belles are the defending Lone Star Conference and South Central Regional champions. They also finished 11th at the NCAA II National

transfer Dierdre Van Sickle.

She finished second in the Abilene meet.

"It's just a beginning," freshman Helen O'Sullivan said.

She placed first at Abilene to lead the Belles.

ASU will compete Saturday in the Southern Methodist University Invitational.

California Poly-San Luis Obispo, seven-time defending national champion, is ranked No. 1, with Air Force and Navy at No. 2 and 3.

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Sports

Rams overcome shaky second quarter to defeat Mustangs, 45-

By KILEY LAMBERT
Assistant Sports Editor

Nobody ever said it would be smooth sailing forever. What started out looking like another rout by the Rams almost became a crisis situation in the second quarter Saturday night.

Despite a 12 mile per hour north wind, the ASU grid offense was off to a blazing start against the Cal Poly Mustangs when running back Robert Thornton scored from 50 yards out on the Rams' first possession of the game.

The defense also contributed when safety Ottoway Perryman intercepted a pass on the ASU 26-yard line and then ran it back 84 yards for another six points.

However, the Cal Poly defense did not give up. They sacked quarterback Mickey Russell twice and intercepted one pass. The Mustangs held the Rams on three straight possessions and Cal Poly pulled to within one in the second quarter, 14-13.

Mark Fogle and Phillip Bivins teamed up to block the extra point attempt by the 'Stangs early in the second quarter to keep the Rams up by one.

Steven Lee scored twice in the sec-

ond quarter to put the Rams ahead for good. After a one-handed catch by Thornton good for six yards, Russell threw to Lee, who ran for a 56-yard touchdown with 11:48 to go in the half, and the extra point brought the score to 21-13.

Lee scored again on a three-yard run, after Russell threw 16 yards to Darron Johnson and 10 yards to Junior Bell to put the Rams into scoring position.

By halftime, that one-point lead had become 22 and the Rams were on top, 35-13.

"When we came out for the third quarter, I was saying 'it looks like another one of those long games,'" Thornton said. "But we came out, did what we had to do, and just took control of the game."

The second half opened up with another Ram touchdown. A bad punt snap to Cal Poly punter Doug O'Neill gave the Rams the ball on the Cal Poly 33. On the next play Russell faked the run and threw to Kenneth Washington for a touchdown which brought the score to 42-13.

Cal Poly answered with one more touchdown when quarterback David Lafferty connected with Joe

Fragiadakis from 12 yards out. This made the score 42-20.

ASU placekicker Bryan Thompson connected on a 44-yard field goal to wrap it up at 45-20.

Lee, whose two touchdowns made him the leading Ram scorer on the night, said that the loaded option play helped the Rams beat the Cal Poly defense.

"We kept showing them the loaded option and when their cornerbacks came up to cover the option... we were able to pass it in," Lee said.

Despite the 25 point victory, the Rams trailed in virtually every statistic except for rushing and return yardage. The Rams rushed for 141 yards on 41 carries and returned the ball for 229 yards. Cal Poly rushed for 88 yards on 40 carries and returned the ball for 147.

Cal Poly however beat the Rams in the air 289 yards to 185 yards and also on first downs, 14-12. The Mustangs also held the ball longer with 36 minutes of possession time compared to the 24 minutes of Ram possession.

The Rams host West Texas State Saturday at 7:30 p.m. in San Angelo Stadium for both teams' conference opener.



Backup Ram quarterback Danny Keeton sees action against Cal Poly as he takes around the end just getting by a Mustang defender. (Photo by Stephanie Chrz)

No. 4 Rams face Buffs in LSC opener Ram gridders honored

The Rams are set to enter Lone Star Conference play this week as they host the Buffaloes of West Texas State Saturday, 7:30 p.m. at San Angelo Stadium.

The Buffs are led by quarterback Dan Buesing who has thrown for 1,087 yards and eight touchdowns so far this season. The WT receiving corp is led by receiver Charles Christian who has caught 23 passes for 290 yards and three touchdowns.

West Texas improved their record

to 1-3 last week when they defeated Kearney State, Neb. 45-28.

The Rams are off to their most impressive non-conference start since 1982, undefeated in four games.

Ranked No. 12 in the National Collegiate Athletic Association Division II pre-season poll, the Rams jumped to No. 7 after defeating Southern Utah and earned the No. 5 spot after beating Sam Houston State and received the No. 4 ranking Monday. Undefeated Texas A & I, 1988 LSC

champion, rolled over nationally-ranked Portland State 31-12 and is currently ranked second behind North Dakota State.

In other conference action, Eastern New Mexico (2-1) defeated Fort Lewis, Colo. 30-14; East Texas State (2-1) was idle; Abilene Christian (0-3) fell to Alcorn State, Miss. 31-21; Central State (0-3-1) narrowly lost to Cal State-Northridge 31-28 and Mesa State, Colo. gave Cameron (1-2) a 28-6 romping.

Ram linebacker Terry Tilton was named Lone Star Conference defensive player of the week for his performance in ASU's 45-20 victory over Cal Poly-San Luis Obispo.

Tilton recorded 17 tackles overall, including three for losses, and one fumble recovery.

Tilton is currently the leading Ram tackler with 21 unassisted tackles and 40 overall. Tilton has recorded 4 tackles for losses equalling 12 yards and one quarterback sack.

The LSC offensive player of the week was Texas A & I running back Johnny Bailey. Bailey's performance Saturday against the Portland State Javelinas made him runner-up on the NCAA career rushing list behind former Pitt running back Tony Dorsett. Bailey needs only 475 yards to break the current record.

Bailey carried 22 times for 204 yards and two touchdowns against the Javelinas.

The Ram Club Players of the Week were strong safety Ottoway Perryman and linebacker Scott Rister on defense, quarterback Mickey Russell on offense and Todd Stephenson on special teams.

Perryman returned an interception for 84 yards and six points while Russell completed seven of ten passes for 172 yards.

Ram Band plans 'Sabre Dance' show for halftime

The Ram Band has an halftime show in store for fans at the ASU s- West Texas ball game Saturday. The band member percussion segment will perform a feature by Russian composer Aram Khachaturian called "Sabre Dance" is a good the right direction," said Thompson, a member of the percussion section. "Percussion is become sensitive to what it wants."

The band promises to provide spectators with a "real pleaser," according to Thompson. The band will deliver the melody to "Sabre Dance" while the percussion provides the accompaniment.

Myron Turner: a name to remember

By KILEY LAMBERT
Assistant Sports Editor

A look here and a look there is usually all anyone ever sees of junior wide receiver Myron Turner.

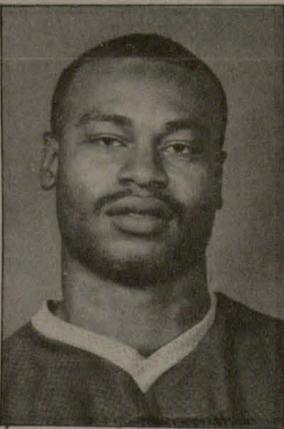
With only three career touchdowns, his name is usually not the one in lights. But the 6-2, 190-pound converted quarterback from Dallas Carter has compiled some impressive statistics.

Turner, who led the Rams in receptions in 1988 (29 catches for 374 yards), has proved to be a force in the Ram air attack with 16 receptions for 217 yards so far this season.

The size of Turner and his speed (4.7) are the assets that make him dangerous in the ASU passing game.

"Myron is a great possession receiver," head coach Jerry Vandergriff said. "He has the speed to go deep on a defense, but that speed will also threaten a defense underneath because he stretches the vertical coverage."

"Myron also knows what to do with the ball once he gets it," he said. "We can count on him not to fall down as soon as he catches it. He will try to put it in the end zone."



Myron Turner

Turner's speed stems not only from his days at Dallas Carter where he was known as a running quarterback, but also from a heavily sports-influenced childhood.

"I was raised on two sports—football and basketball," Turner said. "I ran some track to keep in shape, but it was never anything serious. The primary sports in my childhood were

football and basketball and they were what I believed in."

In junior high, Turner played Pop Warner pee-wee football instead of playing for the junior high team.

"Pop Warner is kind of like Little League and they stressed a lot of basics," Turner said. "I'm glad I decided to stick with Pop Warner because when I got into high school, some of the other high school players didn't know what I knew and that gave me an advantage."

"There were the rumors that since I didn't play junior high football, then I probably wouldn't even get looked at in high school. But, I started for the freshmen team and I changed that rumor."

Turner's older brothers Ronald and Lafayette had both played football at Dallas Carter and made sure the Turner name was not a new one.

"When you go into high school, you have to make a name for yourself," Turner said. "My older brother Ronald made a name for himself and also made a name for Lafayette and I. It

wasn't like we were unnoticed when we went into high school because Ronald had already broken the ground."

Recruited by ASU during his senior year, Turner was red-shirted and moved to receiver during spring training. Mickey Russell was also being moved to quarterback at this time and the coaches felt Turner would have a better opportunity to play at receiver.

Coach Vandergriff said that while Turner was without receiving experience he made the adjustment well.

"All quarterbacks have receiving experience," Vandergriff said. "They know how to read secondaries and they can apply their athletic abilities very well, so he made the transition very easily."

Turner found the move to his liking and started for the Rams in 1987.

Since that time, Turner has caught over 65 passes for more than 1,000 yards. And it's those numbers that make Myron Turner an asset for the Rams. It's those numbers that will make him a household name.

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