Transitway plan needs more input

By SALLY NANCE
Editor

Plans for the North Central Tramway took a step backward at the Dallas City Council meeting last Wednesday afternoon but a possible step and a half forward in Richardson that evening.

The Dallas council turned down proposals for consideration of a raid transit way using the MKT rail bed from downtown Dallas and through Highland Park but those at the Richardson meeting seemed more concerned with using the Southern Pacific rail bed from North Dallas to Collin County.

The consulting team of Schimpfle-Corradino Associates has recommended that the transitway begin at Union Station in Dallas, and the rail guideway be extended north following the general alignment of the MKT Railroad to North Central just south of Mockingbird Lane. From this point, the guideway would follow the North Central alignment to its northern terminus at Campbell Road in Richardson.

Many of those attending the Richardson area meeting expressed concern regarding the rapid growth and anticipated growth north of Campbell in Plano and northward to McKinney, noting that the Texas Highway Department has estimated construction of any proposed transit way would take 20 to 30 years to complete.

A separate group, the Citizens Forum, was formed in March to receive citizen input to the decision-making process involved in transit way planning. This group will meet Tuesday, Sept. 30. Anyone in the UTD community who has any suggestions or comments to be relayed to the consulting group, should contact Sally Nance, 690-2286, or Dr. Chris Parr, 690-2187, to have their opinions expressed at the meeting.

Enrollment figure leaps to 6,362

Census Day figures show that enrollment at UTD for the fall semester increased eight percent over the same period last year. The final total number of students enrolled in classes now stands at 6,362, an increase of 476 over fall semester, 1979.

Dr. Bryce Jordan, UTD president, said a study by the Coordinating Board, Texas College and University System, showed UTD has the largest percentage increase in enrollment of any state-supported higher education institution in Texas for the 1979-80 academic year.

Coordinating Board enrollment projections established for UTD before it opened to junior and senior-level undergraduates in the fall of 1979 show UTD was expected to have a fall 1980 enrollment of 5,951 and not reach more than 6,326 students until 1986.

Survival is theme of theatre work

By CAROLE LESTER
Staff Writer

"A Message from Auschwitz" by Charlotte Delbo opened the UTD theatre department's fall season Sept. 26. The "memory play" is scheduled for a two-week run.

The play, being directed by New York director John Oton, recalls Madame Delbo's experiences as a prisoner in the German concentration camp. The action centers around 28 women, all members of the French Resistance, who are forced to come to grips with the necessity of survival.

The stark Spartan staging creates a world which is hostile to the human spirit. In the black and gray setting the words of the characters speak of the one spark of light. Pantomime done to voiceovers and an artistic use of sound effects and lighting are some of the production techniques used to strengthen and reinforce the play's hold on the audience.

The theme of the play is survival of a remnant; someone must live to tell the world. The message offered is one of hope for future generations, but only if they learn from the past.

This production offers a thought-provoking and moving theatrical experience and is well worth an evening of one's time. "A Message from Auschwitz" will be performed in the University Theatre again this coming weekend at 8:15 p.m. Oct. 3 and 4, and at 7 p.m. Oct. 5.

FALL AND WINTER seasons are expected to offer both clear weather and earlier darkness, to the advantage of all who use the UTD Astronomical Observatory.

A public viewing night has been scheduled Monday, Oct. 13, from 8 p.m. to midnight, by the UTD Astronomical Society. (Photo by Wade Jones)

Provocative topics mark A&H series

Abortion, Shakespeare, politics and Halloween are topics for programs scheduled in October by the College of Arts and Humanities Steering Committee.

The series opens at 12:45 p.m. Oct. 9 with an open discussion titled "Is Abortion Morally Permissible?" Speaker will be Dr. Louis Pfeiffer, assistant professor of philosophy and religious studies, who will address both sides of this emotional issue from an objective point of view.

Carolyn Gillespie and Richard Wordsworth will present "Shall I Compare Thee...?" a show based on Shakespeare's sonnets, Oct. 15 at 12:45 p.m. in Jonson Center Performance Hall. The 55-minute presentation will compare Shakespeare's private life, as revealed in the sonnets, with his plays. Wordsworth is a visiting associate professor at UTD and a long-time actor in the English theater, and Ms. Gillespie is assistant professor of theatre at UTD.

Both will have major roles in the November production of "Macbeth" to be directed by Dr. Michael Gillespie in the University Theatre.

A political forum between Dr. Stephen Rabe, representing President Jimmy Carter's political viewpoint, and Dr. Joan Chandler, representing Gov. Ronald Reagan, is slated for Oct. 23 at 12:45 p.m. in J04.120. A spokesman for Cong. John Anderson will be announced at a later date. Dr. Rabe is assistant professor of history and Dr. Chandlil's associate professor of American Studies and Education.

In conjunction with Halloween, a short film titled "The Day of the Dead" will be presented Oct. 30 at 3:30 and 4 p.m. in the Visual Arts Building. The film depicts the Mexican festival which corresponds with America's Halloween and All Saints' Day.

Get shots, not the flu

Although daytime temperatures are still generally in the 90's, the first day of fall fell last week and now it's time to start thinking about flu shots.

Influenza vaccinations are available free of charge from the Student Health Service, MC1.502 8 a.m.-6:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8 a.m.-3 p.m. on Fridays.

The vaccination is estimated to be 70 percent effective in the prevention or control of flu virus but should not be taken by anyone allergic to chicken or egg.
New associate dean returns to UT-Dallas

By GERRI LEWIS
Staff Writer

Interdisciplinary studies and the Sunbelt both drew Dr. Michael Simpson, the new Associate Dean of Humanities back to UTD.

A native of North Carolina, Dr. Simpson has spent nearly 20 years in the Northeast and has returned to UTD where he taught several years ago.

Simpson earned his undergraduate degree from the University of North Carolina and his Ph.D. in classics from Yale University, and has taught at Dartmouth, Amherst College and Smith.

In 1970, when UTD was just opening its doors he went to Bard College at Annadale-on-Hudson in New York where he taught Greek, Latin and Classical Literature. It was at Bard that Simpson became interested in administrative work.

From Bard Dr. Simpson came to UTD where he stayed for one year and then returned to Bard as Dean of Academic Affairs.

“I was interested in learning the administrative business so I accepted the position,” recounted Simpson. Bard's president was a young man of 28 years at the time who was transforming the institution at all levels. “It was a very exciting time. I learned a lot and enjoyed it,” said Simpson. But after two years when UTD invited Dr. Simpson back, he was ready to return to the Sunbelt.

“I went with the idea that I would like to gain administrative experience and then return to the academic world,” Dr. Simpson's job is to share the “burden” of administrative responsibilities. In addition to his associate deanship, Simpson is Director of Graduate Studies.

According to Simpson, there is a lot of paperwork involved and, in a way, he “directs traffic.” Catalogs have to be put out, courses taught and grades must come in. There is a tremendous amount of work for one person to do as dean and that is why UTD made the decision to activate the position of associate dean. “We provide support for the dean,” he said.

“Being a dean is a lot of trial and error at a school so new,” commented Simpson. “We don’t have the benefit of 150 years of experience. Having taught at other schools you take for granted procedures and programs, where everything is in place and ways of operation have stood the test of time,” he continued.

Actually one of the things Simpson likes best about UTD is that it is so new and faculty and administrators are eager to work together implementing new and imaginative programs and courses. The UTD faculty have more freedom to set up their own courses than others might find at an older university. Part of a dean's job is to bring order to chaos without "clamping down" on faculty imagination in developing new courses.

Like all jobs, that of associate dean has its pressures and Simpson enjoys a break to teach a graduate course in Comparative Literature on Tragic Drama. “Teaching,” smiled Simpson, “is a kind of relief from academic administration.”

BSU sponsors relationships seminars

Guides to a happy marriage or dating relationship will be discussed in a month-long seminar sponsored by the Baptist Student Union. Seminar sessions will be held each Monday in October in G12.320 at 12:30. The speaker will be Dr. Gary Frazier.

For more information, contact Alan Campbell, 324-2603 or 272-5895 after 5 p.m.
Two Rodriguez compositions get premier performances

A composition by internationally renowned UTD Professor Robert Xavier Rodriguez was premiered Sept. 24 in New York and a second is scheduled for performance in October.

"Frammenti Musicali" (Musical Fragments), a 1978 composition was presented last week during a concert in Carnegie Hall, and "Ducta," a 1980 work for solo harp, will be performed during October in Lincoln Center's Alice Tully Hall. This work can be heard in Dallas for the first time in November when it will be included as a theme in Rodriguez' score for the UTD production of "Macbeth."

His "Frammenti" consists of six short pieces, the last of which is based on a motif from his 1978 opera "Le Diable Amoureux." The work was first performed in December, 1978, by the UTD Collegium Musicum which Dr. Rodriguez directs. It was also heard during 1979 in a television documentary devoted to Dr. Rodriguez' works and at the Eastfield College Festival of 20th-Century Music.

The work will be performed in Carnegie Hall by Austin flutist Megan Mesenbach, a student of Jean-Pierre Rampal and James Galway. In her recital, assisting artist for the concert will be pianist David Garvey, a UT-Austin faculty member who is active internationally as a recording artist and as an accompanist for numerous instrumentalists and singers, among them soprano Leontyne Price.

"Ducta" will be presented in Lincoln Center by harpist Emily Mitchell, winner of Israel's 1980 International competition. It may be heard Nov. 7-9 and 14-16 during performances of "Macbeth," directed by UTD professor Michael Gillespie and starring distinguished British actor Richard Wordsworth.

Rodriguez, an associate professor of music at UTD, is also composer-in-residence at the university and head of its music theory-composition programs. He has won numerous major national and international prizes for classical music composition, the most recent of which was the American Academy and Institute of Arts and Letters' $10,000 Goddard Lieberson award.

A public observation night at the UTD observatory has been scheduled by the Astronomical Society for Monday, Oct. 13 from 8 p.m. until midnight.

Admission is 50 cents for adults and those over 14 and is free to children under 14.

The observatory is reached by going 1.4 miles north of Campbell Road on Coit, then one-half mile east on Frankford, then a right turn on a private road to the observatory.

An organizational meeting of the society will precede the public observation period. All UTD students, faculty and staff are eligible for membership. For information, call society president Bill Bloom, 690-2911 or adviser Dave Klumper, 690-2835.

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Accounting Honor Society sets initiation banquet

UTD's Accounting Honor Society will hold its Fall Initiation Banquet Sunday, Oct. 12 at Canyon Creek Country Club. The program will be presented by Ernst and Whinney, on of the Big Eight accounting firms and employer of a number of UTD graduates. A cumulative GPA of at least 3.0 and a GPA of 3.25 in accounting courses, with at least nine hours in accounting and the last three at UTD are necessary for membership eligibility.

The banquet will begin at 6:30 with cocktails and dinner at 7 p.m. Reservations are necessary and can be made by calling Marlon Wood, 233-5022; Marcella Anderson, 272-1723; Anne Pelosof, 861-0368; Elizabeth Gibbs, 438-6943; or Judy Shrader, 387-0989. Membership application forms may be obtained in GR3.702 or GR3.112 or from society officers and must be returned by Oct. 7.

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Police offer wide range of assistance

The University Police do more than just give out parking tickets. They are working around the clock to protect life and property on campus. There is someone on duty in the police office 24 hours a day so anyone with an emergency can get help.

"We unlock car doors, jump dead batteries and patrol the entire campus continuously to stop people from being ripped off," said Sgt. Terry Sanner of the University Police.

The police will be conducting classes on crime prevention later this year. The first will be for women on how to protect themselves from rape. While police say there has been very few robberies and no rapes reported, they want people on campus to be aware of how to avoid trouble.

According to the Traffic Rules and Regulations manual put out by the university, it takes less than 60 seconds for someone to enter an unlocked office, room or vehicle. Locking a door makes it difficult for a crime to take place.

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companies scheduled to be on campus during the upcoming week to conduct job interviews have been announced by the Placement Service.

On Monday, Sept. 29, Chevron Co. will interview geologists and Texas Instruments Information Systems and Services Div. will interview Wednesday, Oct. 1 for positions within the division which supplies state-of-the-art computer systems and services to TI's worldwide operation. TI's Audit Div. will recruit for entry level internal auditors the same day. Also on Wednesday, Diversified Human Resources will interview for entry level management training positions in the professional placement and recruiting field.

Oct. 2 interviewers include Deloitte Haskins & Sells who are recruiting for positions in public accounting; and the U.S. Department of Labor which will interview for various positions in Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Louisiana and Arkansas.

Larry Foster & Assoc. will interview for positions in career development and sales on Friday, Oct. 3. Interviews are held in the Placement Service Office, MC 1.408. To make an interview appointment, contact Mrs. June Ascherin at 690-2943.

Restaurant exec speaks to club

Research and development studies and qualitative versus quantitative research analysis were among the topics discussed by Ron Downey, director of marketing for Bennigan's Restaurants when he spoke to the UTD Marketing Club recently. Downey also talked about programming site models to determine optimal restaurant locations and customer behavior analysis.

For further information about the Marketing Club contact the president, Julie Deaver, at 696-4968.

A few words...

About our library

By MIKE RINGLEY
Student Congress President

Because several students have contacted me with questions, comments, and complaints concerning hours, services and insufficient periodicals and reference materials in our library, I met with Dr. Edward Walters, director of libraries, to obtain some answers.

Presently, the UTD library is open a total of 70 hours each week during the regular semester. The library hours are 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 6 to 7 p.m. on Sunday. Due to budget cuts, the library has had to undergo some "stretching" but is currently providing all normal services, with the exception of the media software section.

These cutbacks are partially the result of a state bi-annual funding formula that is based on average enrollment figures with current operations funded from the 1978 figures. However, because 1980 is a base year and enrollment has increased substantially, the funding for the next two years will probably be increased. Dr. Walters believes that the increase will be sizeable enough to allow for an enlargement of staff. Also, the funds may allow a library hours increase to 96 hours, which conforms more to other area facilities.

In response to questions related to the inadequacy of UTD periodical holdings, Dr. Walters stated that UTD maintains a current holding of more than 3,000 periodicals at a cost of $279,000 per year. The state funds only $179,000 with the rest covered by bond sales.

An additional problem has been a 23 percent inflation during the last two years on these periodicals, particularly in the science areas. For example, the Chemical Abstracts subscription in 1977 cost $3,000 per year but in 1979 had increased to $4,500, with the ten-year index costing $10,000. With costs such as these, Dr. Walters asserted, no single library can maintain all the necessary materials for all disciplines of study.

Don't be discouraged, however, if the library does not have a necessary title. UTD is a member of the Interlibrary Loan System. This system supplements the holdings of individual members by member access to the cumulative holdings of the 17 area institutions. A daily courier network provides two-to-five-day service on the delivery of most materials requested.

If an article from a journal is needed, a photocopy can be ordered for a small fee. Additionally, books can be checked out via our library. Future extensions of this system are planned with a recently obtained $70,000 grant.

If your organization, club, or college steering committee wants to donate a periodical subscription not currently available in our library in order that it have more centralized access in a more secure environment, the library staff will assist you as much as possible. Dr. Walters encourages donations as a method of satisfying special interest demand. Please contact the library staff for further information.

Dr. Walters reaffirmed the library staff's desire to provide the optimal services and materials for student needs. However, students can aid the library in this mission in the following ways:

1. Do not remove materials after use. Incorrect reshelving creates "missing materials."
2. Do not mutilate source materials. At present, the library provides open stacks. This may have to change.
3. Please submit your comments, complaints, and suggestions directly to Ms. Sherrie Schmidt, 690-2950.

In order to more fully provide for UTD library user needs, Dr. Walters encourages this feedback.

Emotions to be topics for counseling groups

A wide range of topics including jealousy, sexuality and anger will be discussed when the Student Counseling Service gets its fall program underway this week.

The group meetings will be held on Tuesdays from 5 to 6:30 p.m. and will deal with different aspects of relationships including any needs group members may wish to discuss.

Students interested in learning more about themselves or obtaining counseling are invited to register at the Student Counseling Office, MC3.202 or by phoning 690-2947.
Huddle 'n Hustle were pieces of the action during opening games of the UTD flag football season. At top, Environmental Sciences talks strategy; Glenn Davidenko sets up and Jeff Thomas protects the Physical Planters' passer; Brian Spitzberg sends one to Tom Hanson. Center, Spitzberg looks for his receiver in Sultans-Physical Planters action; Hanson goes for the flag to stop Steve Crow's gainer. Third row, the "Zebras" are Ken McCarty and Randy Shelly in Biology-Physical Plant's battle; Sultans and Environmental Sciences mix it, and Allen Burton outflanks the Sultan defense. Lower right, Davidenko runs to daylight for the Physical Planters and Shelly makes the TD signal. (Photos by Wade Jones)
It's up to you

Name That Team finalists

By SALLY NANCE
Editor

It was decision time when the committee to solicit and consider names for UTD's athletic teams met last week.

The six-person group gathered to pore over the multitude of suggestions submitted by students, faculty, staff and the university community. Slowly but surely the foot-high stack of ballots was converted into piles representing five categories titled Totem/Zoomorphic, Mythic, Western, Futuristic/Science, and Other.

The first contained ideas such as Aardvarks, Crickets, Fighting Cocks, Wolves, Armatillos, Chipmunks and Buzzards. The second was replete with Demons, Sludge Monsters, Titans, Gladiators, Einsteins and Klingons. Western ideas included Toros, Rangers, Wranglers, Sagebrush Rebels and Chaparrals. Science themes abounded in the third category with the Androids, Creatures from the UTD Lagoon, Texas Instruments, Comets, Suns and Space Cadets. "Others" ranged from Fat Cats, Roadsters, Prisoners and Commuters to Aggies, Thermometers and The Graduates.

Calculators were whipped out and the top five names were determined. And the winners, in alphabetical order, are: Armadillos, Comets, Suns, Titans and Unicorns.

Now it's up to you, the voters. Select the top three and mark your ballot and drop it in the orange box by Student Congress office, GR2.610. The votes must be cast by Oct. 8 and will be tallied Oct. 9, submitted to the appropriate administrative officials and the ultimate winner named as soon as the administrative process is completed.

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