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# Estes' stand to oust gays brings support

Most of today's society ignore the immoralities that are widespread in everyday life.

But it is about time for community and national leaders to stand up for what is right. Dallas School Supt. Nolan Estes was one such person when he issued a statement against homosexuality. Estes' statement followed a U.S. Supreme Court decision that upheld a Washington state ruling that said homosexuals are "immoral" and they may be fired from their jobs because of their homosexuality. Estes' statement read: "Any teacher

identified as a homosexual will be asked to resign immediately, regardless of whether the person has engaged in improper conduct."

He softened his statement in the days to follow by adding that he will call for their resignation only in cases of proven misconduct.

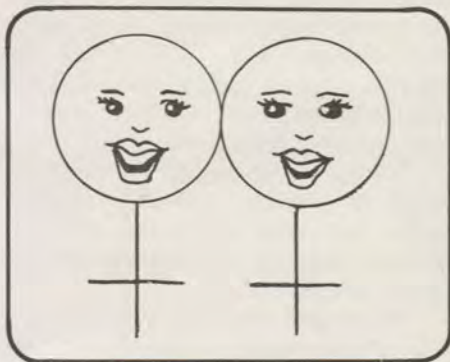
The Classroom Teachers of Dallas responded to the statement by saying that a teacher's private life is a teacher's personal business unless it interferes with his duties as a teacher. Yet it is difficult to believe that a person with deviant sexual tendencies would have the control and effect on a classroom as compared with a "normal" person.

Several gay teachers have estimated that there are anywhere from 500 to 700 gay teachers in Dallas. If that is true, it is discouraging to think about the effects they have on students in all 12 grades.

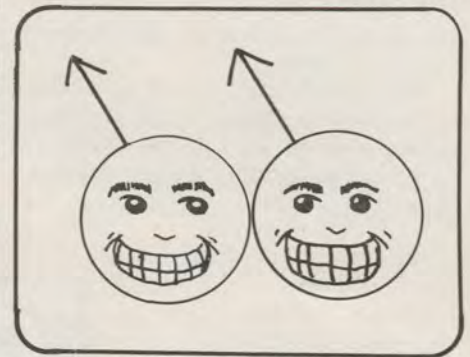
Many people turn to their religious beliefs to decide whether homosexuality is acceptable or not. The Bible makes its stand very clear: "Don't you know that those doing such things have no share in the Kingdom of God? Don't fool yourselves. Those who live immoral lives, who are idol worshippers, adulterers, or homosexuals will have no share in His kingdom." 1 Corinthians 6:9, 10; *The Living Bible*.

Hopefully, more of our respected leaders will take a stand for what is right; a stand against homosexuality.

Brian Joyce



## opinion



## Joyce and Rejoyce

### We've got one for you!

You might be interested in joining the Rodeo Team, the Ice Skating Club, the French National Honor Society, or perhaps the Bowling team. In fact, there is surely an organization at Skyline to meet your interests.

Skyline's Silhouettes rank among the most talked about. But Drill Team Sponsor Judy Bridges is up in arms. She says Skyline should offer drill team cluster so the members would have more time to practice. She also says this would prepare the members for careers as Las Vegas Show Girls. The DISD has not responded to Ms. Bridges' request as of press time. We'll keep you posted.

Oh, I'd better mention the band since I talked about the Silhouettes because we want to keep everyone happy. Skyline Band, Skyline Band, Skyline Band. That should hold them for three issues.

The strangest club would probably be the ESP Club. They don't have meetings. Every Wednesday night at 7:30

they sit at home and think about each other.

The Skateboard Club and the Frisbee Club are two clubs that have popped up this year. The Skateboard Club doesn't assemble in any room; they just meet up and down the halls in "G" Building. They're also trying to organize a Bicycle Club. After your second meeting, they take off your training wheels.

Like every school, we also have a National Honor Society. But there's little use in mentioning them since they can't read.

The Future Teachers of America recently had their last meeting at Terrell. They discussed what education would be like in the next few decades. Among the possibilities discussed was a drive-in window at Skyline where students would not have to get out of their cars to go to school. Can you imagine the orders? Such as: "One small order of English homework, easy on the tests;

one large order of French; and a chocolate American history, cut the hard questions and heavy on the extra credit."

We also have the TAHOS, ICT, and HECE Clubs at Skyline. They sit around during the meetings and try to figure out what the initials stand for.

Our Spirit Club is really something! You might not know who they are since they usually sit on the opposing team's side of the field.

Oh, we can't forget our leadership organizations such as the Career Leadership Council and the Student Senate. One makes Easter baskets while the other sells the candy to put in the baskets.

Skyline has so many clubs that you think you're in a department store. You turn to your left and people try to sell you candy and you turn to the right and still more people will try to sell you greeting cards.

But what would we do without our clubs? (Probably a lot!)

We'll have another exciting (?) topic to discuss next time. I'll see you then.



## College entrance exams explained, scheduled

High school students planning to continue their education at colleges and universities need to prepare themselves for the opportunities offered through Scholastic Achievement Test (SAT) and the American College Test (ACT). Many colleges require their applicants to submit SAT and/or ACT test scores before enrollment.

These tests are designed specifically for college entrance. Most colleges requiring these test scores use them to help complete the process of admission. A combination of test scores and high school grades give the schools the idea of the applicants' readiness to do college level work. It also enables them to predict success or failure in the student's first year of college.

The SAT consists of both verbal and mathematical questions. There is a basic test fee of \$7.25 that must be mailed to the college board with student registration in advance of the six test dates.

The ACT covers four subject areas—English, Mathematics, Social Studies, and Natural Sciences. The test fee is \$7.50 and must be mailed in along with registration. There are five national test dates for this assessment.

Interested students are allowed to take these tests as many times as they are offered. The highest scores will be mailed to your prospective colleges.

When the final results of testing are reached a student profile will be sent along with the test scores. This consists of personal interest, and activities questions which should be answered at the time of registration. It is designed to give colleges and scholarship sponsors a chance to find out more about the individual student.

The current registration deadlines are: Oct. 28 for the Dec. 3 SAT and Oct. 28 for the Nov. 19 testing of ACT.

For further details on deadlines and registration check with your counselor.

Teresa Fallwell

## Teachers pleased with pre-cluster

Skyline opened a new area this year by allowing ninth graders to participate in pre-clusters. After two months of operation, most pre-cluster teachers seem pleased with the result.

The World Language pre-cluster is taught by Tonia Morgan, De De Ford, Bob Rountree, Peter Bithos, H.H. Johns, and Julie Watson. "In here, the students are mixed with regular high school students and cluster students and take all languages," said Rountree.

"We plan to go on many field trips throughout the school year," explained the interior design teacher Vic Ashley. The students will develop use of different drafting design, basic outline, an introduction to art, and learn how to draw and color form space.

In the mathematics pre-cluster, taught by Patricia Galloway, Cynthia Smith, and Allen Petty, the students take two hours of mathematics and one hour of science.

The general occupational exploration is a combine study of basically all the clusters offered. Their purpose is to get a general idea of all the clusters so that the student can select one at the end of the year. The teachers are Robert Beckner and Debra Drake.

## Math Cluster loses class

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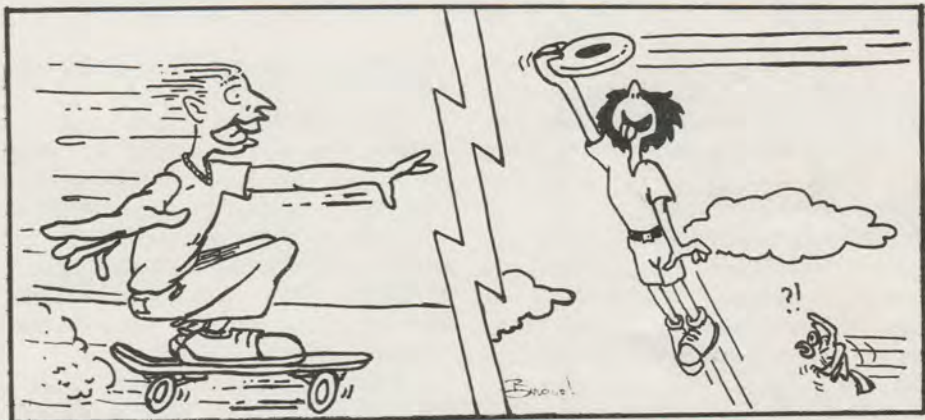
Two Skyline students have the "dubious" honor of being in a cluster that doesn't exist.

The afternoon Advanced Mathematics Cluster has been abolished, but junior Jimmy Parham and senior Carl Wibbenmeyer, both part-time students, still report to Math cluster every afternoon, where they are handled on an individual basis by William McNabb, Mathematics coordinator.

The P.M. cluster was abolished because of a lack of students in both the morning and afternoon clusters; only eleven students were attending the morning cluster and four attending afternoon.

McNabb said that the drop in enrollment in the cluster was due to two main factors—poor recruiting from other schools and increased competition for students by newly opened magnet schools.

The afternoon CDC was abolished Sept. 12 on the recommendation of Mr. McNabb, with Skyline principal Frank Guzik's approval.



## New clubs organized

"Hot, that's what a good skateboarder should be called," says Mrs. E. Dickson, the sponsor of the skateboard-frisbee club. This new club was just recently organized and already the membership has grown to thirty people. Due to this new fad other schools will be starting this type of club and tournaments are already being planned.

There are no special requirements for prospective members of this club. Those unfamiliar with the necessary techniques of these sports will be coached.

Meetings are held at 7:45 a.m. in F22 Friday, and 1:30 p.m. on staff development days.



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
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Thrill of flight van visited Skyline on October 6 and aeronautics students participated in flying the airplane simulator.

## Sullivan organizes Jr. Historian Society

Skyline history teacher Hillary Sullivan has organized a new club called the Junior Historian Society which is designed to promote local interest in history.

The society is a division of the Texas State Historian Society from which Mr. Sullivan is a member.

## Seniors begin work on Forney Rd. Pub

The 1978 *Forney Road Pub* is in the making. The Pub is an annual senior magazine written by seniors about seniors. This comedy magazine will consist of one hundred or more pages filled with over 100 seniors' names, their activities and their experiences throughout their high school years.

This year's staff is sponsored by English teachers Terry Foltz and Dorothy Loughheed. Mrs. Loughheed emphasizes, "Our goal for the '78 Pub is to include every Skyline senior's name in the book at least once."

The 1978 *Forney Road Pub* staff includes forty-two senior members. This is one of the largest staffs the Pub has had in several years.

This year's officers are: Editor-in-chief Doug Tucker, and co-section editors Diane Birdwell, Teresa Fallwell, and Steve Gentzler.

Pubs will be sold in the spring.

The first meeting was held on Friday, Oct. 28 and final organization of the club was recently completed. This is the first historian society to be formed in the Dallas Independent School District (DISD). Sullivan said it was a "disgrace" to have a district this large with no previous historian society. He listed many examples of schools outside of Dallas whose historian society is one of the largest and most popular clubs in the school.

Skyline's club presently has 14 members but anyone interested in history is encouraged to join.

The motto for the Texas Chapter of the Society is: "The oldest learned society in Texas." Its beginning dates back one hundred years.

## Skyline alumni to have club

Promoting school spirit and communication between current students and Skyline graduates are two of the functions of the newly formed Skyline Alumni Association.

The Association is an organization consisting of students who have graduated from Skyline. The purpose is to support charitable and educational undertakings by extending aid to Skyline students. The organization's other function is to help graduates get in touch with other graduates and keep up with Skyline happenings.

The Alumni Association was started last May with provisional officers: Mark Wisdom-President, Cindy Moses-Vice-President, and Debra Thomas-Sec./Treas. Along with Will Lowrance, student activities director, and other students the organization got together and wrote up a tentative Constitution, stating the purpose and duties of each member.

After that early thrust, the organization has seemed to decline.

Now that the provisional officers have graduated and gone their separate ways, will the organization fall apart and vanish? Mr. Lowrance said it will not, "It takes time for this type of organization to get going." He added that letters will soon be sent out to graduates informing them of important dates, in which plans and officers will be finalized.

If the organization is "successful" and does not "vanish" it will be the means of communication between graduates of today and tomorrow.

Chip Johnson

## Skyline wins homecoming, crowns queen

Skyline's Homecoming was held Friday, Oct. 28 after the Raiders defeated the Woodrow Wilson Wildcats 3-0. The Homecoming Dance was held in the school cafeteria from 10 until midnight. At midnight, the Homecoming Queen and her court were announced.

The homecoming Queen, Regina Sims was crowned last. The Homecoming court included Becky Marek, Freshman Damsel; Tracy Moses, Sophomore Duchess; Toni Bradly, Junior

Countess; and Vanessa Collins, Senior Princess.

The nominees for Homecoming Court were: Freshmen Damsel-Becky Marek, Karen Simons, and Kami White; Sophomore Duchess Tracy Moses, Kim Couty, and Robin Williams; Junior Countess Toni Bradly, Lori Knight, and Mary Cook; Senior Princess-Vanessa Collins, Leslie McKee, and Tina Miller; Homecoming Queen-Regina Sims, Rosie Tavera, and Valeda Camper.



## Speech team wins awards

### L.D. Bell

Skyline's Speech Team participated in their second tournament of the year at L.D. Bell High School in Hurst, Tex. on Friday Oct. 14 and Saturday, Oct. 15.

Ernest Tutt placed second in oratory in overall competition. This was the first tournament in which Ernest had competed.

Charles Johnson advanced to finals in poetry and semi-finals in radio speaking.

In debate, Jolie Bartholf and Elaine Everett went to semi-finals, ending with a 4-2 record and Leslie Shinsato and Victor Hall advanced to quarter finals, ending with a 4-1 record.

### St. Marks

Skyline participated in its third speech tournament at St. Marks High

School on Oct. 21 and 22.

Ricky Rush placed third in oratory and Chip Johnson advanced to finals in dramatic interpretation.

### Hillcrest

Skyline scored its greatest percentage of success at the Hillcrest speech Tournament on Oct. 28 and 29.

Dale Jones went to semi-finals in oratory and Ernest Tutt advanced to finals and placed fourth in oratory. Michelle Todd went to semi-finals in dramatic interpretation and Chip Johnson advanced to finals and placed second in dramatic interpretation.

Both Ernest and Chip gained enough points at this tournament to be eligible to participate in state competition later this school year.

## German Club presents Wurstfest

On Oct. 14 in the Skyline cafeteria, Die Gemuetliche Versammlung (German Club) held a successful Wurstfest '77, netting approximately \$250.

The menu consisted of Polish Wurst (sausage), smoked Bratwurst, Kartoffel Salat (German potato salad), Rot Kohl (red cabbage), and Sauerkraut, with punch, coffee, tea, and German mustard.

About 200 paying guests feasted on this German dinner prepared by 40-50 Skyline students, were entertained by the Skyline German dancers, and many later participated in the dancing during intermission.

Among the guests were members of the Dallas Frohsinn Society (German American singing society). Teddy Trept playing the zither, Pia Woodall playing

the ukelele, and Ed Doran on the guitar provided several German folk songs for the crowd.

The money made from this dinner will be used for buses and hotel expenses for the Novemberfest and to go to TAGS (Texas Association for German Students) in the spring.

Twelve ounce packages of Polish Knackwurst and Bratwurst sausages were on sale for \$1.50, \$16 for a 9 lb. case. Potato salad sells for \$1.75 for a 52 oz. can. Red cabbage and sauerkraut can be ordered. Contact Mr. Rountree in room 331.

Mr. Rountree, German club sponsor, comments, "It was the best program ever, but I wish more people had come."



Guests join in with German Club dances at the Wurstfest.

## Drama department to present play

For the first time in years, Skyline's drama department will present a play for the student body entitled *Butterflies Are Free*.

The play is a contemporary story that students can identify with. "The show has great box office appeal," drama teacher Doy Steele explained.

The performances are planned for Wednesday, Nov. 30 and Thursday, Dec. 1 at 7:30 p.m. in the auditorium. Ticket prices are \$2 in advance and \$2.50 at the door.

The members of the cast and characters they portray respectively are: Chip Johnson, Don Baker; Susan Gebhart, Jill Benson; Steve Bardin, Ralph Austin; and Cathy Rhodes, Ms. Baker.

## Saturday Spree previews in DISD

The DISD has begun Saturday Spree, a free once-a-week program in which students, primarily at kindergarten through sixth grade can participate in "fun" activities that reinforce specific reading and mathematic skills.

This new Saturday program needs adult and eighth through twelfth grade volunteers to tutor children on a one-to-one basis, and volunteers who will work with groups or children in creative involvement activities. Orientation and training will be provided for volunteers, and a professional leader/teacher will be in charge at each location.

Hours are from 9 a.m. till noon, and the first term lasts through Dec. 10 at the following locations:

Amelia Earhart, 3531 N. Westmoreland

Wm. Libpcomb, 5801 Worth

Anson Jones, 3901 Meredith Ave.

Umphey Lee, 7808 Racine Dr.

Winnetka, 1151 S. Edgefield Ave.

East Oak Cliff Educational Complex, Grades 4-6

(temporarily housed at Clinton P. Russell, 3031 S. Beckley Ave.)

Joseph J. Rhoads, 4401 Second Ave.

For further information and applications call Jeanne Fagadau or Margaret Dunlap, DISD school volunteer office, 824-1620 ext. 348. Limited applications may also be obtained in Mr. Burke's office, room 104.

Angie Ottmo



# Skyline scares up March of Dimes money

Skyline students again participated in the March of Dimes Haunted House this year, Oct. 19-31. Those who took part in this project might have worked in such rooms as the skeleton room, Frankenstein's room, the mummy room, the torture room, the swamp room (with real water), and many more horrifying features.

This event is held annually before and during Halloween to collect money for handicapped children. The haunted house took in \$11,000 last year at one dollar per person. This year admission went up to \$1.50, but more rooms were added and actual equipment from *Star*

*Wars* was used, along with more strobe lights.

Oct. 19, 22, 26 and 29 were reserved especially for Skyline workers. Such organizations as the Student Senate, Key Club and Career Leadership Council were active, as well as many other members of the Skyline student body.

For those of you that missed out on the action, plan to attend and work in the March of Dimes Haunted House next year and have a good time while raising money for a worthy cause. Small children are advised not to attend, as this is an adult haunted house.



Members of Skyline organizations help raise money for March of Dimes.



Skyline students participate in Haunted House activities.

## Amateurs learn from photo pros

Sixteen Skyline students attended a seminar for press photographers Oct. 20 at UTA. The *Flying Short Course 77* allowed both professional and amateur photographers to hear well-known photo journalists.

The speakers included: Brian Lanker, a Pulitzer Prize winner; John Premack, T.V. news cameraman; Mike O'Brien, Miami News; TSgt. Herman Kokojan, Military Photographer of the

Year; Patricia Joy, T.V. news producer; Martin Weinberger, newspaper publisher; and Bill Pierce, Time Magazine.

The speakers covered subjects ranging from the pros and cons of "mini-cams" to what type camera to use in certain situations. Slides and films helped illustrate the speakers' points. During coffee breaks, participants viewed the exhibits set up by major film and camera companies.

## Auditions begin for "My Fair Lady"

Auditions for the 1978 Skyline musical, *My Fair Lady*, which will be presented in May will be held Dec. 8-9 during choir classes and after school at 4 p.m. Dan Peavy will direct the musical.

Only choir students may try out for the cast and chorus. They must try out for lead roles to receive minor parts. The audition consists of both reading parts and singing.

The cast will consist of 35 people plus approximately 30 chorus members and nine couples of dancers.

Jackie Miller from Preston Forest School of Dance will do the choreography for the show and hold all dance auditions in January. Choir students as well as any students with at least 6-8 years experience may try out for a dancer.

Peter Woolf of Dallas will provide scenery and set designs. Costumes will come from Norcostco Inc. in Los Angeles, Cal. The show will be produced with rights granted by Tams-Witmark Inc. in New York City.

All choir classes are participating in fund-raising projects for the show. Some of these will include selling stationary, candles, and having a "career day" on February 4 in which choir students will work at Kips at Peavy and Buckner Rd. A portion of the money earned will go toward the show including the costume rentals.



## Our Place opens

If you're looking for nice, inexpensive gifts for the holiday season, try "Our Place" opening Dec. 1-16 from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. every day in room F-10. All merchandise is less than \$10.

With the help of teachers Dorothy Evans, Meta Richard, and Sonia Myers, the design, apparel assembly, and fashion merchandising clusters work together to design, sew, and sell their garments. "Our Place" is a new place this year not only because of the new lines of clothes but also because of renovation. Five hundred dollars has been spent supplying the store with racks, hangers, etc. and the clusters hope that their redecoration will bring more customers into the store.

The fall line will consist of both a misses and juniors line. The misses line will contain jumper-type dresses and coordinating tweed and fringe shawls. The junior line will consist of pastel-colored shirts and coordinating skirts, blouses and vests for the peasant look. Also billfolds, handmade jewelry, key-chains, and other miscellaneous items will be sold.

"Our Place" will re-open after the holidays.



## Choo-Choo into Science Cluster

The newest addition to the Science Cluster's menagerie of animals is Choo-Choo the albino ferret.

Choo-Choo, a weasel-like animal, was given to the Science Cluster Oct. 25 by a Richardson family, the Bonners. The Science CDC learned he was available through the Dallas Zoo.

Choo-Choo will be more of a pet than a mascot, and will not be used in any experiments. He was acquired to "demonstrate the diversity between animals" stated science teacher Allen Petty.

Choo-Choo is eight months old, a male, and has all of his shots. He eats mostly dog food.

# capsules

## Turtles sweeten Senate treasury

In the past few months, thanks to the hearty stomachs of the Skyline students, the Skyline Senate has been able to raise a large sum of money.

The Senate sold 6509 turtles at \$.25 each, making a total sale of \$1,627.25.

This money will be spent on such projects as the Homecoming expenses, the Spring Bash, The Awards Assembly and the Skyline Senate Scholarship.

Although the Senate ran out of turtles fear not, there will be more in January!

## Senate considers idea to distribute newsletter

Skyline students may soon have publication that informs them of what is happening in the Student Senate.

The Senate Newsletter, which must be approved by the executive committee, would be distributed in homerooms. Its main purpose will be to inform students of the latest events in the Senate.

Theodora Lee, sophomore class president, originally came up with the idea of a newsletter for the sophomore class but in order to maintain unity, each class will take part in the publication.

## Swahili vanishes from curriculum

In the past, Skyline was one of the few, perhaps the only school to offer Swahili as a foreign language option. This year Skyline joined the many. Swahili is no longer a course offering.

Bob Rountree, CDC Language Cluster coordinator, said the Swahili teacher did not have a U.S. work permit; and since the language has no commercial value and is not an international language, Swahili will be discontinued until a teacher is located.

The 18 students who were enrolled in Swahili were transferred to other language courses. The majority are now enrolled in Italian.

## Skyline postcards on sale

Slimline Skyline postcards are now being sold at the student information desk and in the Aeronautics building for \$.25 each.

These postcards were photographed at approximately 800 ft. over Buckner by aeronautics instructor Herb Lucas in a helicopter flown by Keith Bauer.

About 13,000 postcards were printed by McGrew Color Graphics in Kansas City, Mo. so "There is plenty for everybody," commented Mr. Lucas.

Aeronautics is also selling color photographs, from which the postcards were made for \$5 for an 11 x 14 and \$4 for an 8 x 10.

The postcard includes a large view of Dallas, including parts of Fair Park, Love Field, downtown Dallas and Skyline. The back of the card lists Skyline's educational opportunities in three major components.

Money made from this sale will be added to the activity and general funds.

## Spanish Club Dancers set goals

Skyline's Spanish Club Dancers boast approximately 86 members that are learning the culture of Mexico and Spain. Each year the Spanish Club dancers teach new routines to students not familiar with the Spanish dancers.

This enables them to perform at different events around the Dallas Independent School District. They have also performed at rest homes, YWCA's, Buckner Elementary School, and at Cinco De Mayo celebrations. They hope to add more activities besides those in previous years. Because the dancers are now beginning their new routines, the club has set project goals for this year to raise money for Pesos for Braces, Amigos de las Americas, and the Myrtle Tanner Scholarship funds. This money will go to people throughout the United States and Latin American countries.

The officers are: Melinda Thompson, president; Cathy Grandstaff, vice-president; and Elecia O'Hearn, secretary.





Robin Saylor rides a horse in the pole bending event



Cathy Mitchell

## Ride 'em cowboy

What sport is rougher than football, faster than basketball, and has more variety than track and field?

That's right, rodeo. Rodeo events include everything from bull riding to goat tying.

Skyline hosted its own rodeo at Joe Edwards Arena Saturday, Sept. 24 and Friday, Sept. 25. Robin Saylor was crowned Rodeo Queen during the rodeo.

Results of rodeos played this year include a number of first places as well as other place winners.

Doug Rickman won first place in steer wrestling at the Brazos River, Seagoville and J.J. Pearce rodeos. Rickman has also received firsts in chute doggin at the North Garland and Skyline rodeos.

In bullriding, Terry Kearney received a first at the Kaufman rodeo. Russ Jenkins placed fourth at Seagoville.

The team roping duo of Billy Tucker and Paul Mayer took sixth place at J.J. Pearce rodeo.

The girls have also made their mark on area rodeos with a third and fifth place in steer undecorating for Renee Morrow and a fourth place for Stacy Parish.

Goat tying is Cathy Mitchell's event. She won fifth place at North Garland and a sixth at the Plano rodeo.

Robin Saylor, in addition to being crowned rodeo queen, won fourth place in pole bending at the Skyline rodeo.

All the members have the responsibility of practicing on their own. Rodeos are held each week of the school year except during the latter part of December through mid-March.

Skyline's team is sponsored by art teacher Vic Ashley.

Steve Hicks



Mike Collins rides a bull named "Oscar" during a bull riding event.





1 participates in a goat tying event.



riding event at the Joe Edwards arena.

# Wrestling Schedule

Date	Opponent
Nov. 17	Richardson
Nov. 19	Lake Highlands
Nov. 29	Vines
Dec. 6	St. Marks*
Dec. 14	Jesuit*
Dec. 16	W.T. White
Jan. 4	Bishop Lynch*
Jan. 7	Quad Meet
Jan. 11	Jesuit
Jan. 12	Bishop Lynch
Jan. 16	J.J. Pearce
Jan. 18	W.T. White*
Jan. 20-21	Richardson (B-team)
Jan. 28	District Meet (W.T. White)
Feb. 4	Regional Meet (St. Marks)
Feb. 10-11	State Meet (Austin)

\*Denotes Skyline meets

## Swim Team begins season

Skyline's Swim Team will participate in their first meet of the year on Friday, Nov. 18 and Saturday, Nov. 19 in Wichita Falls, TX.

Audris Zidermandis, swim team coach, said last year was the first time Skyline did not send anyone to state finals but adds that a "chance" exists for swimmers to complete this year. This year's team is young and twice as large as last year's team.

The male swimmers are: Brad Adams, Steve Byrd, Michael Johnston, Steve Monty, Cliff Prescott, Monty Rorie, Greg Simmons, Glenn Southard, and Brent Waters.

Concluding the list with the female swimmers are: Dayna Breithaupt, Connie Cook, Traci Durham, Laura Jones, Karta Kinard, Kim Singletary, Debra Steen, Lisa Terrell and Natalie Vimuktanov.



## Tennis team makes racket

Headed by Coach George Acuff, the Skyline tennis team started another season. The tennis team plays practice matches and in tournaments prior to opening of the district season in the spring.

Members of the team recently competed in two tournaments. Both times the young team did well.

In the Invitational Tournament at Samuell Grand Park, Skyline players swept the junior varsity doubles competition.

Sophomores Julie Fulton and Elida Hernandez finished first in the girls' finals while Kenneth Ghornley and Kenneth Raines grabbed a first in the boys' finals. Both matches were won in straight sets.

The team also competed in an eight team tournament at Lakeview High School in Garland. Bad luck in the opening round hurt the Raiders. Three of the four first round matches were lost to teams who eventually made it to the finals.

The only survivor in the first round was the girls' double team of Fulton and Hernandez. They went on to win third place.

The doubles team of Mark and Reed Moon, girls' singles player Amy Knight, and Robert Batey in the boys' singles all won first in the consolation bracket.

Overall the team finished fourth in the tournament. All the players are looking for a successful district season. After doing well in the first two tournaments, the future looks bright.



# Varsity Football surprise opponents

## Skyline vs. Spruce

Spruce proved to be little competition as the Raiders won their third district game in as many tries.

The Raider's offense looked better than it has all year. Skyline scored four of the first five times the offense touched the ball and soared to a 23 to 0 win.

Blake Hall led the team rushing for 140 yards. Hall averages over 100 yards a game. The offense moved the ball over 300 yards. Defensively, the Raiders posted their second shut out of the year.

Skyline faced Thomas Jefferson the next week. Most coaches felt this would be the first real test for Skyline.

## Skyline vs. Thomas Jefferson

Despite heavy rain, Skyline proved they were no fluke by edging the Thomas Jefferson Patriots 12-7. The victory increased the Raiders district record to 4-0. TJ was the first school with a winning record that Skyline has beaten.

TJ clearly controlled the scoreless first half but the rain caused turnovers and their drives were stalled. Skyline drove 61 yards during the second quarter but could not penetrate further than the Patriot 19 yard line.

The second half looked like the first as both teams waited for the big break. Finally the Patriots scored on a 58 yard run by quarterback Dwain Banks. The extra point was good and TJ led 7-0.

After receiving the kickoff, the Raider's offensive machine started to roll. On fourth down with the ball on the TJ four yardline, Joe DeWeese found Bobby Moses alone in the end zone for a touchdown. The wet field had a definite effect on the kicking game as Kyle Byrd's extra point was wide.

Behind by one point, the Raider defense stiffened. After forcing TJ to punt, Skyline took over with the ball on their own 20 yard line. From there the Raiders launched undoubtedly their most impressive drive of the year. Skyline marched 80 yards for the touchdown. The try for two points was failed but the Raiders won as time expired 12-7.



## W.T. White vs. Skyline

In their most important game of the season, Skyline lost a 20 to 6 heart-breaker to W.T. White.

A victory would have eliminated White from repeating as district champions. Skyline is involved in a four-way tie for first place with White, Bryan Adams, and Samuell.

Turnovers played a big part in the loss as they continually halted Raider drives and gave White excellent field position.

Skyline received the kickoff and looked impressive as they rushed for a first down. The Raiders fumbled later in the drive. The fumble proved costly as White drove for their first touchdown.

Skyline got inside the White 20-yard line twice during the first half before they were stopped.

White increased its lead to 14 to 0 on a long pass that just missed the arm of Tim Reynolds who was right with the White receiver.

Skyline tried to catch up but again the Raiders were victimized by a turnover. Cedric Roberson's halfback pass was intercepted, stalling the Raiders once more.

The second half opened and Skyline looked as it had in the past. The defense was stubborn and the offense stopped fumbling.

It wasn't until late in the fourth quarter when Skyline got some points on the board. Bobby Moses, yards ahead of the White defense, caught a 42-yard pass from quarterback Joe DeWeese. The two point conversion failed and the Raiders trailed 14 to 6.

An onside kick skipped harmlessly out of bounds, ending any hopes for the

Raiders. White called time out with just 17 seconds left so the White offense could add another touchdown to increase their lead.

Skyline played well but errors led to White's 20 to 6 win over the Raiders.

## Skyline vs. Woodrow Wilson

With each game seemingly more crucial than the last, the Raiders played Woodrow Wilson in a win or maybe next year situation. Both teams had identical 4-1 records. A second loss for either team would eliminate any possibility of post season play.

Skyline dominated the game but was unable to score a single touchdown. The Raiders offense drove many times but turnovers and penalties plagued them again. Blake Hall ran for 138 yards.

The only score in the game was a 30-yard field goal by Kyle Byrd. Byrd's three pointer in the second quarter held up throughout the game. The defense played another outstanding game posting their third shutout of the season.

Last year Skyline lost to Woodrow by the same 3 to 0 score. The victory was also the first Homecoming win in the last three years for the Raiders.

As the season wears down, Skyline, Bryan Adams, and W.T. White are in a three way tie for first place with two games remaining. For the Raiders to win district, they must win their last two games while White must lose one of their remaining two games.

Steve Hicks



# Football

## B-team

"The success of our team comes from the excellent defense (best in the city), explained B-team coaches Joel Ezar and Raymond Gatewood. The Raiders are in first place with a 3-1-1 city record, with a half game lead over Kimball and two over South Oak Cliff.

The Raiders defense has given up only 18 points in their five games (averaging just over 3 points per game.) "The defense has been a great asset to the team," replied Ezar who gives Coach Gatewood the credit.

"The offense has also looked impressive," claimed Ezar. They are leading the city with 77 points.

### Skyline vs. Madison

Madison and Skyline met in the season opener with the Raiders dominating the game with a 26 to 0 win. Running back Denny Day scored on runs of 55, 45, and 35 yards, while Lemond Evans scored from 30 yards out.

### Sunset vs. Skyline

Skyline and Sunset fought a head to head battle with the Raiders coming out a close 6 to 0 victory. The winning touchdown was scored by Evans on a 15-yard run.

**Skyline vs. SOC**  
The Bears defeated the Raiders in a close game consisting of many turnovers and mistakes. The final score was 12 to 6. Tony Perkins ran for his first touchdown of the season on a 20-yard run.

### Lake Highlands vs. Skyline

In a game played at Skyline, the Raiders blasted Lake Highlands 33 to 0. Quarterback Ray Easley scored on runs of 10 and 60 yards. Perkins scored his second touchdown of the season on a run of 75 yards. Evans scampered 50 yards for the final touchdown.

### Skyline vs. Kimball

In a tough game, Skyline tied with Kimball 6 to 6. Evans burst up the middle for a 45-yard touchdown.

### Bryan Adams vs. Skyline

Gerald Osborn started the scoring with two touchdown catches for 45 and 55 yards. The two point conversion was scored by Darrell Walder and Ray Easley. Denny Day scored a third touchdown on a 35-yard run. Evans capped the scoring on a gallop of 38 yards.

### Roger Campbell

## J.V.

In a season characterized by hard work, the JV football team is eight games into the season and is presently in second place; only one game behind district leading W.T. White. The Raiders seasonal record is 5-1-0 with a 3-1-0 district record.

Coaching the offense and speciality teams is Sherman Hughes, while Harold Hughes is coordinator of the defensive unit and the offensive line.

Both coaches agree that Alvin Ogle-tree, Mark McCullough, and Alan Prachyl have been the defensive standouts so far. "This is one of the toughest defenses in the district," said Sherman Hughes.

Quarterback Raymond Rogers, with four touchdowns and consistent passing

leads the offense. Running back Kyle Beavert has averaged over 80 yards per game. George Washington has also been impressive on offense, scoring 18 points this year.

Other scores have come from Steve Leonard (3 touchdowns), Jamie Johnson (2 touchdowns), and Howard Daniels (2 touchdowns).

The offensive line has also been a great asset in having a winning season. The line consist of Mark McCullough, Les Durbin, Thomas Ferguson, Steve Kennedy and Alan Prachyl.

The only district lost the Raiders have suffered was to Lincoln 34 to 14. The Raiders three wins were over Hillcrest 26 to 6, Spruce 32 to 0 and Thomas Jefferson 26 to 4.

## Frosh

The freshman football has played one preseason game and four district games with an overall record of 4-2. They share the 11-AAAA district lead with W.T. White and the Spruce Apaches with two games to play.

In the only preseason game, the Raiders easily defeated the Sunset Bison 26 to 0. "The whole team contributed in one way or another," commented Coach Dennis Wickline.

While losing only to Spruce 14 and 0 and W.T. White 7 to 0, Skyline has defeated Lincoln 26 to 6, Hillcrest 26 to 14, and Thomas Jefferson 20-14 in district play.

Besides Coach Wickline, Val Rhodes also shares the responsibilities of both the offense and the defense coach. Commenting about first year Coach Rhodes, Wickline said, "He's working real well with all players; he has done a fine job."

Team captains are Todd Burgwin, Jimmy Alfred, Tim Clouse, and Charles Simpson. Wickline said, "They have done a fine job, while leading the team to a winning season."

Asked what he thought about this year's team, Wickline replied, "There are no offensive or defensive standouts. It has totally been a team effort." He also said, "They are smaller than every team played, but they still play with a lot of enthusiasm." Due to the team's size, they have to rely on speed, quickness and good execution.

Tripp Marable has suffered the only major injury with torn ligaments in his knees. The injury occurred in the season opener against Sunset. As he was pursuing a tackle, he was crushed on the knee by a Sunset player. "We lost a potential starting tackle on both offense and defense," remarked Wickline.

Though most freshmen teams receive little or no attention, Skyline has generated one with consistent playing and superb coaching.

Roger Campbell



# Skyline student performs Highland Dances



Leslie Boone performs Scottish dance.

Dance is one of the many skills of Leslie Boone, a junior at Skyline.

Leslie has really excelled in one particular area of dance. She dances Highland dances. While doing them she wears an authentic Scottish uniform called a kilt. Leslie dances for Robert Forbes Studio.

Leslie was encouraged to study Highland by her dance instructor.

You may have noticed, but in case you have not, Leslie is also a very active member of the Skyline student body. She is a student senator, and a member of the silhouettes.

She attends approximately five competitive events per year in Highland dance. Leslie has competed against people from Scotland as well as others from around the nation.

She has been in competition since the age of six. One first place, two second places, and one third place have been awarded as a result of her 12 years of dance. Also one of Leslie's prizes was cash.

Among the places in which Leslie has performed are: Oklahoma, Houston, Ft. Worth, Dallas, and Waco. Included in her travel was a visit to Scotland.

Leslie also takes tap dance and ballet.

"I love it," Leslie said in regard to some of the dances which she has performed: fling, sword, sean and ribus.

Besides Leslie's busy schedule here at Skyline, she finds the time to entertain others with her talent of dance. Last spring she demonstrated her skill in Scottish dancing at Lisbon Elementary in Dallas.

Jackie Foley

# spectrum

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It's really a lot of fun, until you're faced with the really big problems. Not the small nagging, bothersome ones. The real ones, like lung cancer, heart disease, and disease of the blood vessels. What about the most common ones,

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Bronchitis, an inflammation of the bronchi, in its early stages merely causes a dry "smoker's cough" which smokers are probably familiar with. In advanced stages, it may cause breathing difficulty and impairment of lung functions.

Emphysema, an incurable disease of the lungs, causes a person to become tired, weak, and out-of-breath. Just imagine yourself becoming exhausted from such simple tasks as brushing your teeth, bending down to tie your shoelaces or climbing a flight of stairs.

You say these are "middle-aged diseases?" Actually, they wouldn't even occur if it were not for your young years that might be filled with smoke. It's all a result of the "good times". Sure, you can quit anytime you want to. It's really simple. There's no such thing as addiction is there? You could quit right this minute if you really wanted to. Then do it.

Cathy Silverberg

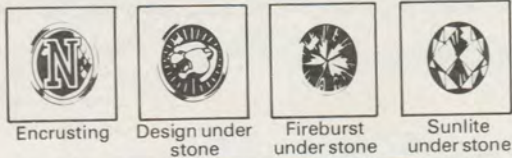


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Frank Burns and his partner Randy Joy treat a patient that was electrocuted. Mobile equipment such as the heart monitor are valued at \$6,000.



Frank and Randy load the patient onto the ambulance.

## Job brings variety to Skyline jr.

Most high school students who have after school jobs, work at quick food restaurants or perhaps at a department store. But it is not often that one finds a student who is an ambulance technician.

Skyline junior Frank Burns is one such person. He has worked since age 15 for Texas Emergency Services. He works almost every weekends and has irregular hours during the week.

Frank has become interested in this type of work because his brother is also an ambulance technician. After some first aid courses, Frank began his unusual job.

Frank has recently passed a course which classifies him as an emergency medical technician. During this course, he spent numerous hours in surgery, autopsy, intensive care, cardiac care,



Frank relays the condition of the patient to the hospital by radio.

and in the emergency rooms in local hospitals. The whole class involved approximately 160 hours of training. He was the youngest in his class, yet he had the highest average in his class. He hopes to take the paramedic course in the next two years.

His partners, Randy Joy, 21, and Ken Douglas, 17, also work on board the fully equipped ambulance. This ambulance and its equipment are valued at \$45,000.

Texas Emergency Services works emergency standby at local football games, motocross races and rodeos.

Frank said he enjoyed the opportunity to work in the Astrodome the most among his standby work. They transported 16 emergency patients in one day at the Grand National Motocross Championships.

A lot of Frank's times is spent

helping Randy, an emergency medical service (EMS) instructor, teach first aid and cardiac pulmonary resuscitation (CPR) courses.

He has also had the opportunity to film and tape medical procedures at the Texas Health Science Center. He is in the Television Arts cluster and his instructor, Ben Waldrip, thought he could combine his interests.

Frank's most memorable event was the time he watched an open heart surgery. "That," he said, "was something that I'll never forget."

Frank's job and the things required of him may not be exciting to others, but as Frank puts it, "I just enjoy helping people."

Frank hasn't made any decisions yet concerning his career but he is definitely considering medical school.

Brian Joyce



Frank exhibits the first aid equipment which his ambulance contains.



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# “Silmarillion” defies readers’ endurance

Sometimes the author of a book is more interesting than the book itself. J.R.R. Tolkien, the renowned creator of *The Hobbit* and *Lord of the Rings*, died in September of 1973. At the time of his death, he was attempting to rewrite *The Silmarillion*, a job he never did quite finish. He started writing *The Silmarillion* while serving in World War I.

The *Silmarillion*, his first book, is a book of myths much like *The Hobbit* and *Lord of the Rings*. It deals with the creation and early stages of Middle Earth, the setting for all of his books. It is, in Tolkien's words, a “prequel” to *Lord of the Rings*, ending at precisely the point where *Lord of the Rings* picks up.

*The Silmarillion* is written in the same style as the *Bible*, and sometimes gets bogged down in verbosity. At times it becomes a task to read, unless you are an avid Tolkien reader or shut-in with plenty of time. The book cannot be rushed through. After reading the first few pages, few people would even try to continue. It is an effort to put some books down once you start reading them. It is an effort to pick this one up.

*The Silmarillion's* similarity to the *Bible* cannot be ignored. Tolkien readily admits that his characters in the first few chapters are representative of God, the Angels, and the Devil. He continues

to insist, however, that his book is not an allegory.

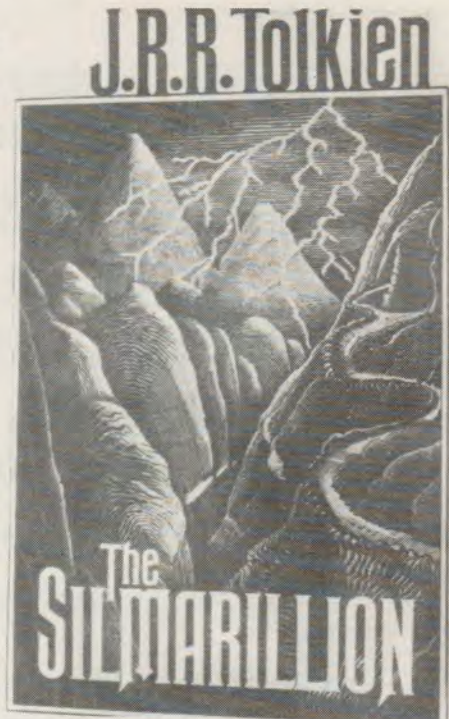
Tolkien completed the first draft of *The Silmarillion* shortly after World War I and sent it to a publisher for consideration. The publisher rejected it and sent it back. Tolkien became so sullen that he put it in a desk drawer and refused to send it to any other publishers despite the pleas of friends and relatives. He preferred to simply abandon the work. Not until he became famous 45 years later did the publishers show any interest in the manuscript.

In the mid 1960's, Tolkien's publishers asked that Tolkien, now in his seventies, prepare *The Silmarillion* for publication. Tolkien decided to rewrite the entire book. This was an immense undertaking, not only because of Tolkien's advancing age, but also because at that time *Lord of the Rings* was reaching its height in popularity.

Tolkien needed a lot of privacy to rewrite *The Silmarillion*, but he didn't get it. Mistakenly, his address and phone number were printed in the local phone directory. Uninvited admirers trickled in all day, and he received phone calls day and night. He had his phone number changed, but the calls kept coming.

This was only a part of the constant barrage. He was receiving about 200 letters each week, and would write 10 page letters to admirers telling them why it was impossible to answer their letters. Lynda Bird Johnson once wrote him asking for an autograph.

A young girl in an American mental institution wrote Tolkien complaining that his books caused her to have nightmares. Upon hearing this, Tolkien called to reassure her. She continued to have nightmares, so he called her several more times. She was released from the mental hospital after several months. Every year she sent Tolkien a Christmas card. Receiving these cards

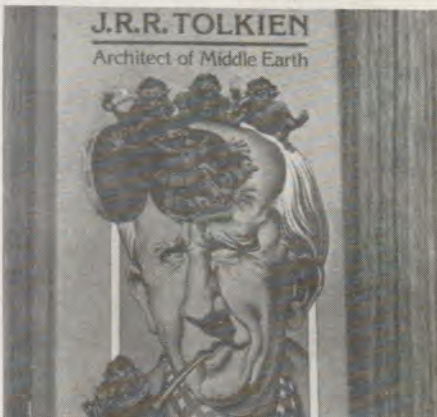


was one of the great joys of Tolkien's life.

Ballentine Books, said that Tolkien earned well over \$3,000,000 from his books. But because of Britain's high inheritance taxes (\$2.19 tax on every \$2.40) the estate was depleted to \$345,000, most of which went into a trust fund for his family.

At the time of his death, Tolkien had abandoned all work on rewriting *The Silmarillion*. The work was like “beads without a thread” said Tolkien's son Christopher. The young Tolkien worked for three years preparing the book for publication, and finally his father's “first love” was printed.

Charles Windham



arts



# Comedian Steve Martin soars in popularity

It's hard to compare Steve Martin to anyone because he's like no one else in the field of comedy. Certainly, Martin's obnoxious poking is not unlike that of his contemporaries Richard Pryor and Lily Tomlin. The basic element of ridiculing that's absurd to begin with are still there, but Martin is not nearly as malicious as Pryor or as involved with characterization as Tomlin. Steve Martin is just Steve Martin. Whereas other comedians seem to be role playing, Martin seems to be merely playing himself—a self professed "Crazy, crazy guy".

Steve Martin first received national exposure when he appeared on Johnny Carson's *The Tonight Show*. He was mostly dismissed as just another comedian trying to follow in the phenomenal success of the late Freddie Prinze who was made a star after his first appearance on the talk show. Martin was dismissed because he was just too weird, even for Carson's "sophisticated" audience. Who was the freak with the banjo and the hokey white suit? He certainly looked more respectable than most of the other comics who appeared on the program. Nice, clean cut, white suit, big apple cheeked grin—and rabbit ears on his head. His material was funny enough, but he was just as funny looking so the audience wasn't sure if they should laugh at Steve or at what he said. There was a mixed reac-



Steve Martin's smile shows he is about routine.

tion to him, but definitely a reaction. Apparently someone liked him because over the past year, Martin has made numerous appearances on the show and has even achieved the coveted spot of guest hosting in several of Carson's frequent absences.

However, Martin is not one of the "struggling" comedians to appear on the Carson show. Long before he broke as a successful stand up comedian, Martin was a successful television writer. He has won an Emmy for his work on *The Smothers Brothers Comedy Hour* and was nominated for another for *Van Dyke and Company*. No question exists about Martin's comedic ability as far as creating material, but what about performance? If Martin's new album is any indication of his live ability, then he must certainly rank as one of the finest comedians today.

*Let's Get Small* (Warner Brothers) is the title of Martin's new and first album. It was recorded at the Boarding House in San Francisco which provides a background for many of Martin's jokes for the evening. Throughout the show, he alludes to San Francisco's alleged "hipness" and to the pseudo intellectual attitude of the crowd, much to their delight. They seem to be pleased that they are subtly being made the butt of what comes off as a private joke which everyone knows the punchline to. At one point, Martin asks them how much they paid to get into the show. When he is informed that the cover was \$4.50, he snickers viciously as the audience roars appreciatively. Also, Martin dwells on the fact that San Francisco has a notorious drug culture. He never misses a chance to point out that "the drugs haven't taken effect yet".

Side One opens with *Ramblin' Man/Theme From The Ramblin' Man*. Martin plays banjo quite well, or in his own words, "Hey, this guy is good". Following is *Vegas* and *Let's Get Small*, two pretty amusing bits.

Side Two contains what are probably Martin's most famous monologues: *Smoking*, *Mad At My Mother*, and *Excuse Me*. Also on Side Two are *One Way To Leave Your Lover* in which Martin describes the death of his girlfriend, *Funny Comedy Gags*, *Closing*, and the bit that has become a favorite on FM radio, *Grandmother's Song*, the



Steve Martin displays his craziness in one of his costumes.

hilarious spoof of those idiotic songs we all learned in kindergarten.

Throughout *Let's Get Small*, Martin pokes fun at everything from Richard Nixon's baggy shorts to the terrible state of the nation's elderly *Mad At My Mother*. He does this without lapsing into extreme bad taste or without preaching to his audience.

Unlike some comedians, Martin does not pretend to be a sociologist. He doesn't seem to feel that he obligated to tell his audience what is wrong with them. He doesn't have to, Steve Martin makes his point. This is the man who, upon his last Dallas appearance, jumped off the stage and led the audience outside the Music Hall and then conducted his show from a park bench in Fair Park. It's almost impossible *not* to like him even though his humor is mocking and obnoxious, and sometimes a little too personal, personal in pertaining to Steve Martin. He never gets too close to his audience. Steve Martin, with *Let's Get Small*, has achieved this—a sense of removal. Isn't the guy with the bunny ears funny? But he's not the kind of person that a mother wants her daughter to bring home. Look, laugh, but don't get too close.

Still, *Let's Get Small* is a fine comedy album and a fine debut disc for the man in the white suit. Maybe upon the release of his next LP, someone will think of a way to categorize him. The next question is, where does he go from here?

Alice Hawk



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