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A ceramic sand urn, one of hundreds in the University Center, stands guard at the entrance of a workshop in the basement. (Photo by Jack Holm)

Mistakes

MSC has plenty

By **STEVE BALES**
Staff Writer

The University Center Complex has been the subject of much criticism the last two semesters. Bill Davis, former president of the MSC Council, said in a Batt interview last semester that the center was not designed to suit the needs of the students.

Most of the students tend to agree with Davis.

Most students, for example, have noticed how hard it is to find an empty bowling lane in the Center's new eight-lane bowling alley (this is the same number of lanes the old MSC had when it was built in 1947, the student enrollment has since tripled).

Most students have by now realized that the planned "game room" had to be scratched because the Singing Cadets didn't have a place, in the new MSC, to practice. The "game room," which was to house the ping-pong tables, the pool tables and other various games, was turned into a practice room for the Singing Cadets. This little change in plans caused the pool tables to be shifted where four more bowling lanes were to be, the ping-pong tables to be pushed into the hall connecting the basement with the old MSC and the "various" other games (which consists mostly of pinball machines) were crammed into the "brown bag" area.

The Basement Committee was also left out in the planning of the Center. In bad weather the committee had to use the "brown bag" area, where guitar strains and folk singing were often drowned out by the noise of tumbling pins from the bowling lanes. The committee was finally moved into a storage room behind the MSC post office.

The recreation space, in the basement of the Center, is only one example of the lack of good planning in construction and interior design of the new MSC.

Anyone, who has walked through the Center, is bound to remember the ceramic sand urns (they're not hard to miss, there's one just about every ten feet throughout the Center). A worker, who wishes to remain unnamed, said that these urns were first filled with sand but the sand was too heavy for the weak bottoms which gave away under the pressure spilling sand everywhere. The worker went on to say that the urns were reworked and a piece of plywood was wedged about six inches from the top to hold the sand. Donald B. Powell, Center

facilities manager, said that this reworking could not be classified as redesigning. He said the urns were originally designed to be filled with vermiculite, a light-weight substance, and a thin layer of sand. "We elected not to use the urns in this way," Powell said.

The star-shaped lights are another familiar sight in the Center, located in the Tower Restaurant. The Batt had reports of these lights falling down during the construction of the restaurant. When Powell was asked about this he said, "There was an installation problem (with the star lights) which was corrected before the Tower Restaurant opened for business."

A new attraction in the Center are the water stains on the ceiling of the Arts and Crafts area, located in the basement. Powell was asked what caused these stains and who was responsible for the cost of fixing them.

"The stains on the ceiling of the Arts and Crafts area were caused by spillage from a conveyor system which is above the ceiling," he said. "The system carries trays and dishes from the cafeteria snack bar to the Food Service work area for washing. The repair will be made as a part of routine maintenance."

Another thing in the Center which seems to lack planning is the placement of the live plants on the second floor by the Banquet Rooms. The plants are located in such a way that the double doors of the Banquet Rooms open into them. Also the Batt found out that the plants in the halls of the entire Center are watered, maintained and rotated by the Grounds Maintenance Department rather than the custodial service of the Center.

Powell was asked if the plants were supposed to be placed by the double doors. He said, "The location of the plants was designated by the interior designer (William Pahlmann and Associates)."

Powell was also asked if there were any other instances where interior furnishings or fixtures were faulty and had to be redesigned or adjusted. He said, "The only area of significant failure concerns the conference room stacking chairs in the Rudder Tower." These chairs are plastic and aluminum and about 80 of them have broken or fallen apart.

About the cost to fix these chairs, Powell said, "The chairs were purchased with an unconditional guarantee from the manufacturer and negotiations are now in progress for repairs and or replacement."

Art and Craft Center—MSC
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LEADED GLASS	3-5	April 24
GOD'S EYE	2-5	April 29
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VILLAINOUS HEROES STUDIED

The group searching for a new definition for the word HERO (at Heroes Clothing Store - Northgate) has suggested that leadership and heroism exhibited by villains and assorted shady characters be considered in forming a definition. Numerous persons of villainous intent could provide good examples of heroism.

King Kong

The Godfather

Henry VIII

Captain Hook

The Bride of Frankenstein

Boss Tweed

KTAM ADDS TO THE ACTION

Disc jockeys at KTAM Radio 1240 have been giving away record albums and other prizes at a very fast pace. Roy Garcia, who heads the panel of judges, has recently announced an additional grand prize to be awarded by the radio station, in addition to the prize Heroes Clothing Store is offering. Keep up to date by following the conversation, on-campus interviews, and other activities on KTAM.

HEROES ADDS INCENTIVE

Not to be outdone by the radio station, Heroes Clothing Store (who won't be outdone by anybody in anything they undertake) has added a new weekly prize—a \$10.00 gift certificate to be presented to someone entering the contest by each Friday.

Heroes has already offered a \$25.00 gift certificate for the best definition of a hero submitted prior to April 26th. Every person who enters in person will receive a certificate good for \$1.00 towards any purchase of \$5.00 or more. The new bonus makes it even more important to enter early and enter often.

An up-to-date definition for HERO is a must. Time is running out, so drop by Heroes Clothing Store and enter your definition in time to be included in Friday's selection.

SUGGESTIONS:

Al Capone
The Wicked Witch of the West
Svengali
Billy the Kid
The Frito Bandito
John Dean
Snydely Whiplash

ENTRY FORM

Name

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A&M student Yes..... No.....

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Attach this form to definition. Submit by mail or in person by Friday, April 25th. Winner to be announced April 26th. You need not be present to win. Decision of judges is final.

HEROES

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