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Rebel against selfishness recycles aluminium cans

By CHARLIE MUSTACHIA
Campus Reporter

Trash day means work for Carlson Yost.

Whether the day is filled with student conferences, work on his dissertation or teaching English, trash day also means rummaging through trash bins to look for recyclable aluminum cans.

Yost, 37, is an English teaching assistant. He collects aluminum cans not only to save energy, but because it is anti-inflationary and is a small gesture against what he calls the "me-first theory of American citizenship."

People can get away with being greedy because the responsible citizens allow it, Yost said.

He has calculated that he receives \$1.50 per hour for his work when he sells the cans to Coors.

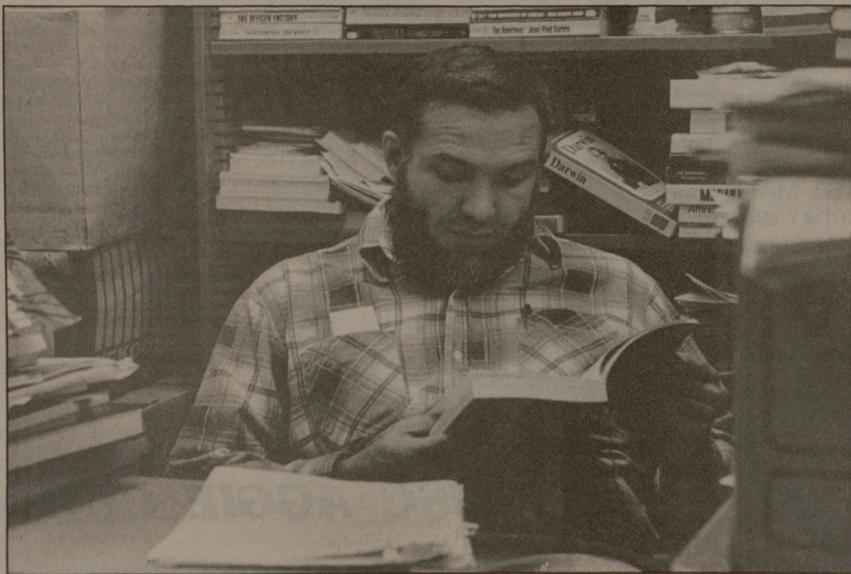
"It won't make you rich," Yost said. "It's a matter of conscience."

Yost said he collected paper for recycling before he began collecting cans, but when he discovered that the city was not recycling the paper as it claimed, the purpose was defeated.

Seven years ago, Yost was in veterinary research at Cornell University where he worked with cattle viruses and abnormal hip development in dogs.

Yost said that when a group of student put violent pressure on the university to change school policies, he saw selfishness and greed being accepted by society.

"A handful of students with guns destroyed the whole purpose of the university," Yost said. "The administration crawled around and gave the students (what they demanded)."



Carlton Yost prepares a lecture for his next class. When not working as an English teaching assistant, he can be found

scrounging through trash bins in search of recyclable aluminum cans which he sells to Coors.

Photo by Lisa Martin.

After being provisionally accepted to Texas A&M University, Yost moved his wife and two small children to College Station where he began work on a doctorate in English.

He said the physical activity of collecting cans gives him time to think about the books he is reading or

teaching about.

"This, I think, is the biggest benefit," he said.

Rebelling against inflation and the me-first attitude, Yost digs through trash bins, searching for aluminum. But he said what he does is a "gesture" and he does not think anyone

will change because of it.

"It's for my own conscience," he said.

MSC photo contest set for March

By SUSAN HOPKINS
Campus Reporter

Amateur photographers from Texas colleges and universities will have a chance to get pictures out of hidden photo albums and into a contest, Salon 80, sponsored by the MSC Camera Committee, March 1.

The annual contest, open to students, faculty and staff of Texas colleges and universities, is set up not only to determine the best prints, but also to help people who are new at photography gain experience.

A photography workshop will be held Saturday at Texas A&M University for interested photographers to get advice and help on various techniques, prior to the contest deadline — midnight Feb. 26.

Ribbons will be given to first, second, third and honorable mention places and a plaque and cash award will be given to the best of show.

The following black and white and color categories will be judged: architecture, commercial, experimental, landscape, nature photojournalism, candid portraiture, casual portraiture, formal portraiture, sports and still life.

"It takes a certain set of skills to really be a good photographer," Farrar said, "but it all starts with a good 35mm camera; darkroom experience helps, too."

Judges for the contest will be Ava Crofford, whose specialty is portrait photography; Janet Rogers, who does portraits and free lance work; and Lenord Duckett. Farrar said all

three judges are master photographers, which means they have official standing with the Society of Texas Professional Photographers Guild.

Farrar said the Camera Committee expects more than 600 entries. He said the pictures must be mounted on an 11-inch by 14-inch, or 16-inch by 20-inch mount, and

that only two prints per category may be entered at \$1 per print.

The winning prints will be displayed in the MSC Gallery until Wednesday, March 26.

A banquet will be held Feb. 29 to introduce contest judges. Farrar said anyone interested in attending should contact the Camera Committee.

Almanac

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Today is Friday Feb. 8, the 39th day of 1980, with 327 to follow.

The moon is approaching its last quarter.

The morning stars are Mars, Jupiter and Saturn.

The evening stars are Mercury and Venus.

Those born on this date are

under the sign of Aquarius.

Union Gen. William Sherman, who put the torch of Atlanta during the Civil War, was born Feb. 8, 1820. This also is the birthday of actress Lana Turner, 1921.

A thought for the day: American statesman Benjamin Franklin said, "There never was a good war or a bad peace."

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Valentines going over airwaves

By CATHY SAATHOFF
Campus Reporter

The MSC Radio Committee is playing cupid.

The committee is offering students the opportunity to send Valentine's Day greetings across the United States and Canada.

Using a network of amateur, or "ham," radio operators, the committee will combine practice for its members with service to students by relaying a standard message — "Wishing you the best of everything on Valentine's Day" — over the airwaves, to be phoned to the recipient by a ham at the other end of the line.

Dave McCarty, committee chairman, said hams are interested in providing service, and the message will be relayed free of charge for anyone who signs up in the MSC Lounge between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. Friday. "We've opted to perform this service as a special event," McCarty said. As many members as possible will help send messages out during the weekend, he said.

"Because it's a training exercise, the idea is to get as many people as we can to get experience," he said. McCarty estimated it would take 15 hours of on-air-time to relay the messages.

Each message will go through a series of nets, or central stations, on the same frequency. The number of nets depends upon the distance the message must travel.

Ham radios are capable of transmitting around the world, McCarty said, but added that this is rare. He has talked to military personnel at a base on the Indian Ocean, a point nearly halfway around the world from the committee's headquarters in 152 MSC.

McCarty said the capacity of the transmitters is due to excellent antennae on the roof. Director of programs Wayne Frazzell estimated the club's equipment to be worth \$10,000.

Frazzell also attributed some advances in radio communications to

hams. "Ham radio is responsible for the advance of the radio art," Frazzell said. He said hams were among the first to experiment with high frequency transmission.

Frazzell, an electrical engineering major, is quick to point out that one does not have to be an electronics whiz to become a ham radio oper-

ator. "The hardest thing for many people in getting their license is learning the Morse Code," he said.

McCarty said getting a novice license requires knowledge of the amateur rules and regulations, Morse Code and basic electronics, all of which are taught in an MSC Free University course.



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