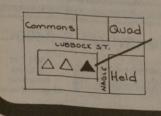
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Down-home dancing praised

## Aggies clogging to beat of feet ut n

By ERICA KRENNERICH

Instead of plodding around campus caught up in an old, boring routine, why not take a tip from Alan Logan and Sandi Pariott and try clogging?

The American folk dance requires no partner and no music, and, its fans say, can improve the sense of rhythm, concentration and body condition.

Logan and Pariott, pre-med majors from San Antonio, teach clogging for MSC Free Univer-

Early Americans living without the pleasure of musical instruments in the Appalachian mountains began stomping their feet on the ground to beat out a dance

'It's a combination of a lot of different cultures and dance steps like the Irish jig, and has Scottish

and black influences," Logan said.
A class of 19 students has met one night a week throughout the semester in G. Rollie White Coliseum to learn the American folk dance, which originated in North and South Carolina, Tennessee and Kentucky

Traditional cloggers don't wear taps on their shoes, Parriott said. However, exhibition clogging groups wear taps to make a louder, clearer sound.

The sight and sound of clogging are equally important, Logan said. "What you see and hear are important," he said. "The music is what first gets people's attention. Then they hear the sound of the taps and gather around to watch.

"The music is mostly country and western, fiddle or banjo, but clogging can be done to other types of music. All of the music is fast with a definite bass beat.

Although some cloggers use square dance movements, Parto match the music.

Logan and Parriott are members of the Cadence Cloggers, a San Antonio precision exhibition group, which performs at festivals and conventions. Parriott said the Cadence Cloggers performed in the soon-to-be-released movie The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas" starring Burt Reynolds.

Logan said his group performs differently from some groups in



riott said, cloggers don't use a caller, and the dancers can either invent their own steps or learn steps

Sandi Parriot, a pre-med major from San Antonio, demonstrates clogging to Michael

Shrank, a senior recreation and parks mit can no l

North Carolina because the mem-step has three parts: A double toe, bers prefer to raise their knees high instead of keeping their feet flat to the floor.

'A lot of them like to do the elogging step very fast — faster than we do it," he said. "They keep their feet very flat to the floor. You never see their taps be-

which is two toe brushes on the floor in one beat; a step on the heel; and a toe stomp. There are many specialty steps and varia-tions on the basic step, she said.

Aside from a sense of rhythm and an agile foot, Parriott said, cloggers need to have endurance.

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Pariott said the basic clogging certain period of time, you get and doesn't like it.

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"It's an enthusiastic dance JOU

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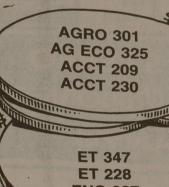
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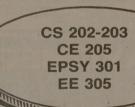
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