

# Student store flying high

by June DuVall

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Take an architecture major, a building construction major, a bunch of balloons and what do you get? Two Aggie entrepreneurs in business at Post Oak Mall.

Bill Wetterman and his fiance, Lexa Jaska, took a few ideas from his mother's store in Waco and decided to open a similar store of their own.

The Rainbow Store in Post Oak Mall originated with the idea of selling balloons, but the

store has expanded its trade with items ranging from cookie jars to coffee mugs. All of the items can be personalized by Jaska.

Both say they wish they didn't have to juggle studying and the responsibilities of a business, but said they realize the need to finish their educations.

Wetterman, a transfer architecture major from Texas Tech University, said they each took 12 credit hours this semester, but will take lighter course loads next fall, so they can spend more time with the business.

The store also carries a line of internally carved plexiglass.

Florals, figures and scenes are hand-carved from the back giving them a unique appearance. Paints, brushes and patterns are available for those who want to paint their own gifts.

Wetterman said they may open a larger store front instead of the temporary kiosk this summer if business continues to be good.

In addition, Wetterman said he has hopes of opening a balloon business for fairs, festivals and other functions, including birthdays and anniversaries. Different shapes, sizes and prints on the balloons can be ordered.



photo by Gabriel

Although her fiancee Bill Wetterman, a senior environmental design major from Waco, is out at the rodeo selling balloons, Lexa Jaska, a senior building

construction major also from Waco keeps their business running. She is seen here working on a piece of pottery.

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Today is Friday, April 23, the 113th day of 1982, with 252 to follow.

Those born on this date are under the sign of Taurus.

English dramatist and poet William Shakespeare was born April 23, 1564.

On this date in history:

In 1898, the U.S. government asked for 125,000 volunteers to fight against Spain in Cuba.

In 1917, almost every performer at a mass rally in New York City stepped forward when asked to volunteer to entertain

the troops overseas in World War I.

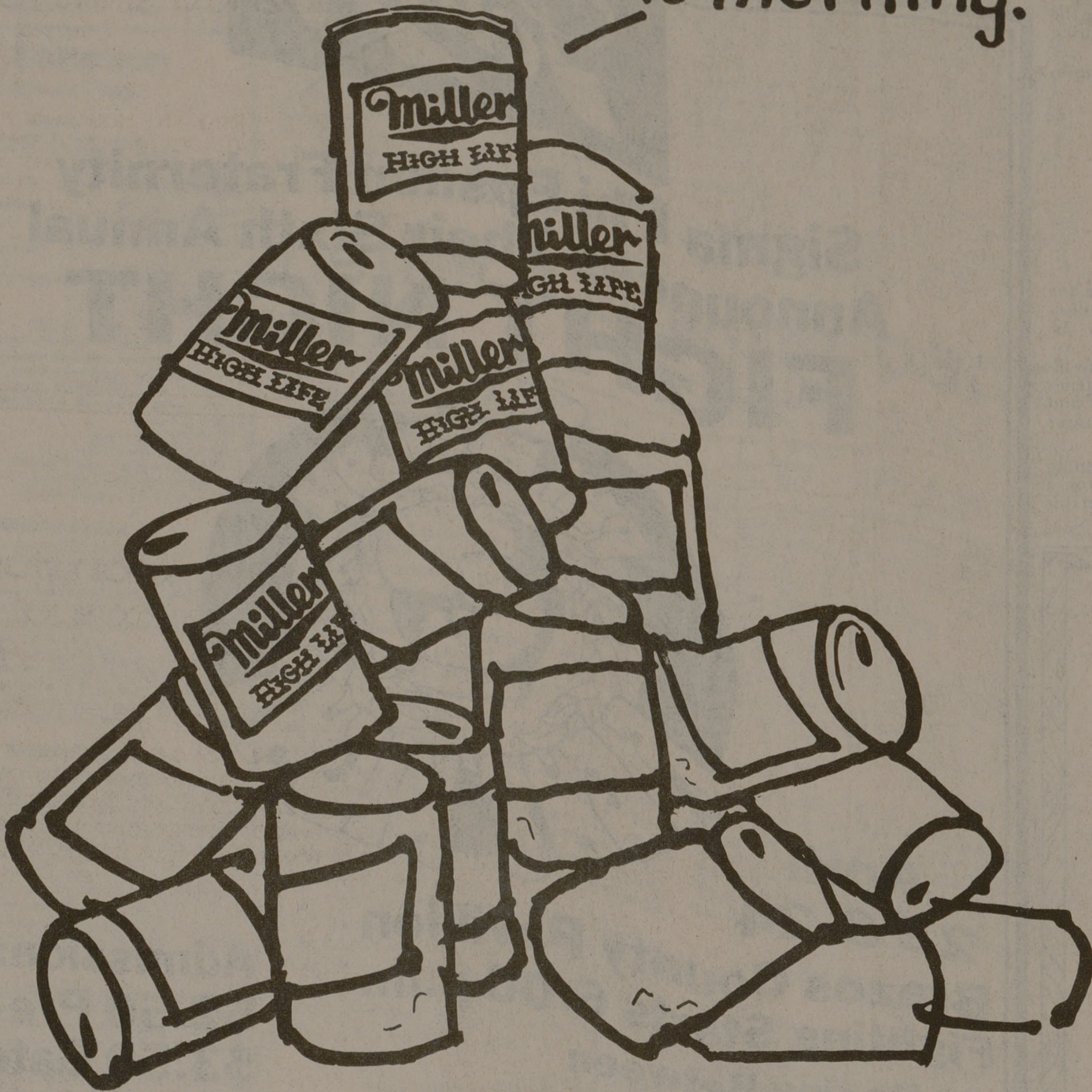
In 1941, thousands attending an "America First" rally in New York City heard Charles Lindbergh say "it is obvious England is losing the war." The noted aviator opposed American entry into World War II.

In 1965, more than 200 U.S. planes struck North Vietnam in one of the heaviest raids of the war.

A thought for the day: William Shakespeare said: "The web of our life is of a mingled yarn, good and ill together."

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## CS City Council approves bids for construction

by Larry Baggs

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A construction bid, a spending proposal for 1982 and an ordinance for drilling an oil well were approved by the College Station City Council at Thursday's meeting.

The council approved a \$475,000 bid by E.P. Brady, Inc. to construct a sewer line to service the Rock Prairie Road area. The line will run from the treatment plant near Bee Creek to the Woodcreek subdivision.

The Houston corporation promised to complete construction within 180 days. The city received six other bids.

No conflict should arise in obtaining easements for the sewer line, City Attorney Lowell Denton said.

The council approved a spending proposal for the \$317,000 community development grant for 1982. The money was allocated for three programs.

The largest amount is \$180,000 for housing rehabilitation in the form of direct grants and loan subsidies. Another \$21,000 is designated for the rehabilitation of rental properties.

The third expenditure is \$90,000 for street improvements. The streets to be re-

paired are still being considered but the finishing of Nevada Eleanor streets was mentioned as a possibility by Mike...

of the engineering department. The city will use \$31,600 administrative costs and set aside \$10,000 for a contingency fund and cost runs.

The council approved an ordinance to allow Woodcreek to drill an oil well within city limits. The drilling is near the east bypass in the University Park subdivision.

In other business, the council made minor revisions to the 1981 community development program and tabled a plan to provide lighting for the College Station Baseball Diamond.

Among the revisions, the council approved spending an additional \$3,500 for repairing the gymnasium and room at the Lincoln Center. The total cost will be about \$300,000, Stevens said.

Also, the council transferred \$10,000 for housing rehabilitation and \$6,000 for rental rehabilitation from the contingency fund. The money needed to operate both programs until the new federal program for 1982 is available in July.

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