

Pac-Man, Defender help pay expenses at some universities

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Could Pac-Man and his buddies be paying for college expenses?
Well, almost. He and other video games have been gobbling quarters and boosting student activity income at universities nationwide in the process.

According to a recent United Press International story, various campuses report that money from video games helps cut increased costs caused by inflation in student room and board fees.
At the University of Miami, for example, the school's game-room income went up by 25 per-

cent — or about \$40,000 a year — because of video games.
And at Boston University, the story said, long lines are common at the machines in the student union. And Pac-Man is reportedly popular in the rec room at the Air Force Academy.
Video games are nothing new at Texas A&M University and so

far have not been responsible for great increases in revenue, but a few campus officials say they've still helped.
"It's old hat here, we've had them for a number of years," said Don Powell, director of business services.
Sanders Letbetter, business manager for the University Center, said video games have been on campus for about six to eight years. He said one of the first video games on campus was the now primitive Pong.
Now, Pac-Man and the newest game to the MSC game room, Dig Dug, are popular among students.

The game room still features pinball machines, but Letbetter said the video games are the most popular. The MSC basement has a total of 20 video games.
Video machines also are located in the Commons and in the Underground Railroad, in the basement of Sbsia dining hall.
Fred Dollar, director of food services, said the revenue from those games along with University cost-cutting efforts probably

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A&M conference draws public school officials

Public school administrators from throughout the state arrive at Texas A&M today for a three-day leadership conference on strengthening educational performances through improved instructional management.
The conference is hosted by Texas A&M's Department of Educational Administration and the Texas Association of School Administrators. Speakers include John R. Champlin, super-

intendent of the Johnson City School District in Johnson City, N.Y. and Texas Lt. Gov. William Hobby. They will speak to the group at 7 p.m. Thursday in 212 MSC.
Friday's speakers include Raymond Bynum, commissioner of education with the Texas Education Agency and Dr. John R. Hoyle, Texas A&M professor of educational administration.

A full day of discussions in workshop sessions begin Thursday morning and include: local school districts' responsibilities under the new federal funding act, elementary and secondary curriculum changes, preparation for instructional leadership and education certification policies for school personnel. Two sessions will be held on each topic.

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Today's Almanac

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Today is Wednesday, June 16, the 167th day of 1982 with 198 to follow.
The moon is moving toward its new phase.
The morning stars are Mercury and Venus.
The evening stars are Mars, Jupiter and Saturn.
Those born on this date are under the sign of Gemini.
American soprano Helen Traubel was born June 16, 1903.
On this date in history:
In 1871, the Ancient Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine

was organized in New York City by Dr. Walter Fleming.
In 1963, Russia put the first woman into space — Valentina Tereshkova.
In 1973, Soviet Communist leader Leonid Brezhnev arrived in the United States for a meeting with President Nixon.
A thought for the day: British poet Sydney Smith said, "Marriage resembles a pair of shears, so joined they cannot be separated, often moving in opposite directions, yet always punishing anyone who comes between them."

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Suspect in slaying, kidnapping sought

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KERMIT — A oilfield supervisor, 28, is being sought in the kidnapping and slaying of a mother and her 8-year-old daughter and the abduction of another daughter, officials said Tuesday.
Michael Eugene Sharp of Odessa, a tool pusher, is accused in the arrest warrant of aggravated kidnapping and capital murder.
Winkler County Sheriff W.H. Bill Sage said an all-points bulletin has been released for Sharp.
He fled Odessa Monday afternoon before officers arrived to serve the warrant, information on the warrant said.
A police sketch of the suspect,

drawn from the surviving girl's recollections, brought in tips from people who had worked with Sharp, Sage said.
The slayer abducted the woman and her two daughters shortly after midnight Friday at a Kermit car wash. The 14-year-old daughter, Selena Kay Elms, eluded her attacker, fleeing naked across the desert.
The man drove the two bodies in his pickup to a burial site in Winkler County. The slayings took place a half-mile east of the Winkler County line in Ector County, about 28 miles southeast of Kermit.
Killed were Brenda Kay Broadway, 30, of Kermit and her daughter, Christie Mechelle Elms.

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