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## Bookstores eager to sell used books

By CAMI BROWN Reporter

A student's stack of required books is a monument to the long hours spent getting a college education. It takes an average of four years to build the monument and the process is slow, painstaking and expensive.

One way college students have found to reduce the cost of buying books is to buy used ones. It's no secret. Anyone can see that buying a used book in good condition for \$30 is a better deal than buying the new book at \$40. But is it such a great deal when you sold that same book to the bookstore for \$20? That's at least \$10 you lose by selling through the bookstore.

Bookstore managers, however, say it is a good deal. To them, both the student and the store will benefit from buying and selling used books. Here's how it works: A student who had bought a new book sells it back to the bookstore for half of what he paid. The store prices the book at one and a half times what it paid the student for it.

In numbers, it would work this way: You buy a book for \$20. The store buys it back for \$10, then ads half of that (\$5) and prices the book for sale as a used book at \$15. "I would sell all used books if I could," said Texas A&M Bookstore Manager Howard DeHart. "We make a 33 percent profit on them. But the stu-

dents at A&M just don't want them back. We buy every one of them we can get." So why can't you always back your used books? Because of the risk involved. And it is riskier for bookstores than others, pending on how much of sales are from the used book. The big gamble for See BOOKS page 5

**THE AGGIELAND** is now accepting APPLICATIONS for **STAFF POSITIONS** for the **1985 Aggieland** Meeting on Monday, April 30 at 7 p.m., 011 Reed Mc Donald for more info, call: **Vannell Lee 260-0636**

## Aggie dancers to hold auditions for C&W club

By LYNN RAE POVEC Reporter

The Aggie Wranglers, the only University-recognized performing Country-Western dance club in the nation, will hold auditions May 2. The Wranglers were organized last January by Kimberlee Norris, a senior journalism major, and Fred Billings, a senior agricultural economics major.

Norris said a public relations course she is taking provided the incentive to form the club. She had had the idea, but it wasn't until she became involved in trying to recruit entertainment for a Robertson County festival that she started the ball rolling. The class helped promote the festival. "Somebody came to me and asked, 'Do you know of a performing C&W group?,' and I said, 'Light bulb,'" Norris said. Norris said she and Billings then contacted people who had expressed a past interest in a club. They advertised with posters and flyers on campus and held auditions at the end of January. Norris and Billings judged the tryouts, and chose six other couples to be Wranglers. "We both felt qualified just because we'd taught," Norris said. Billings had taught jitterbug classes, and Norris had taught C&W. The Wranglers practiced for a couple of hours one night a week until the week before the fair, when they practiced several times.

Norris said the dancers had trouble learning to set their dance steps to the count of eight. "The hardest part of getting everybody together was teaching them that on 'one' your hands have to join and on 'two' you all have to be back facing the crowd," Norris said. Norris made up the routine, a double-time two-step, that the group performed at the festival to the song Rocky Mountain Music. The dancers practice in the lobby of Zachry because, Norris said, it's the only place they've found that is big enough that doesn't have carpeting. Norris said next fall the members of the club would like to have a repertoire of dances, including a fast polka and a jitterbug. The club will also have a choreography committee, Wrangler Sheila Fletcher said. It will be responsible for making up a new routine for each performance. She said the members will take turns serving on the committee. Fletcher and Wrangler Brenda Habegger agree that it is the women in the club who make most of the decisions and do most of the organizing for a performance. "The guys lead the dancing, and the girls lead the show," Habegger said. Norris said that next year the club will be paid for its performances. "We don't intend to make a profit off of it," Norris said.

"We just need to cover costs." The Wranglers now practice the outfits they perform for their transportation performance. Fletcher said that her part of being an Aggie dancer is dancing, but she's spending time with the members of the club because, she said, everyone is really close. Norris expressed the opinion. "The funniest thing about the whole deal was that we first started, all of us thought that everyone was going to be engaged to someone or engaged to someone person they were dancing — every one of us," Norris said. "As it turned out, all of our relationships were platonic really fun that way." She said those who are dancers and want to join may join Aggie Wranglers said the club is looking for people who know how to do C&W, are coordinated and learn new dance steps. "We are recommending suggesting that people who are out for Aggie Wranglers out with someone they're dating," Norris said. "It would be better that way." Those who want to join Wranglers but do not have a dance partner may come to the club's meeting in the lobby Zachry Monday, April 23, 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 2, the Zachry lobby.

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