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HARLEM KNIGHTS * R 2:00 4:20
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Matinees on Sat, Sun & Thurs

Music group offers prizes in Christmas carol contest

By Andrea Warrenburg
Of The Battalion Staff

With the holiday season just around the corner, the Southwest Music Association is sponsoring an opportunity for people to get into the Christmas spirit — and win prizes for it.

The Southwest Music Association is sponsoring a Christmas carol contest for singers, songwriters, instrumentalists and choirs.

"It promotes the Christmas spirit and it's a lot of fun," Don Pope, president of the association, said.

The categories are male vocal, female vocal, children under 13 years of age vocal, choir or group vocal, instrumental and best original Christmas carol.

"Participants can perform any Christmas carol to be an original," Pope said. "Only the last category has to be an original."

Individuals are asked to send a recorded entry on a cassette tape or tapes with their name, address and phone number to any of the following radio stations;

KAMU, KORA, KKYS, KAGC and KTSR. Participants may have more than one entry in each category and may enter different categories. The fee of \$10 for the first entry and \$5 for additional entries must be received by Dec. 1.

"We're looking for vocal and instrumental performance quality," Pope said. "We're not judging the quality of the recording."

Three finalists will be chosen from entries in each category to participate in the finals Dec. 9 at the Manor East Mall. The winners will be chosen by judges from each of the participating radio stations and will perform for mall shoppers.

Trophies and prizes will be awarded to all finalists. "It's something different to do at Christmas," Pope said. "And I know there are a lot of good voices out there — you never know who's listening."

The Southwest Music Association sponsoring a contest is composed of Brazos Valley business people who support music. Its purpose is to uplift the music industry by creating media awareness and support a community interest.

For more information on the contest, call 774-1113.

Cyclists plan cross-country tour to fight world hunger, poverty

By Bob Krenek
Of The Battalion Staff

Beginning in June of 1990, about 125 cyclists will embark on a cross-country bicycle tour in an effort to combat world hunger and poverty.

Bike-Aid '90 is sponsored by the Overseas Development Network, a nationwide coalition of student organizations formed to seek solutions to world poverty and educate Americans by raising social consciousness.

According to ODN, the project's purpose is three-fold: to increase public awareness of problems both in developing nations and the United States, to raise funds for self-help projects in this country and

overseas, and to attempt to actively involve people across the country with the problems they face in their communities.

The ride will begin in June with groups leaving from Seattle, Portland, San Francisco and Los Angeles. In July, other groups will embark from Austin and Maine and all six groups will converge in Washington, D.C. to share their experiences.

Participants will meet with local communities to share ideas about development in world poverty and community programs and learn the histories and lifestyles connected with each area.

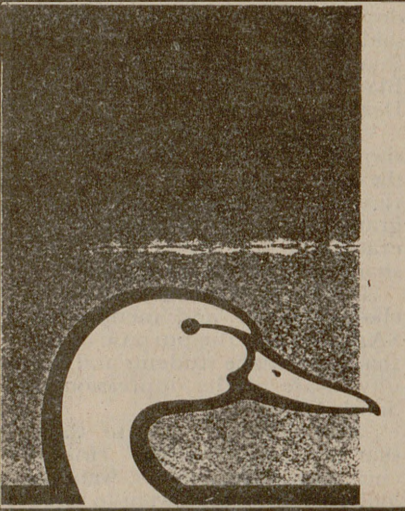
Those interested will be free to ride the entire 3,300 mile route,

choose one of the shorter routes to join the riders as they tour their area.

Bike-Aid '90 is also seeking volunteers to help with assisting the riders as well as soliciting donations.

ODN estimates the 125 participants will raise \$200,000 for development projects around the world. Proceeds from the project will be given to the local people to solve their own problems. In the five years of the project's existence, 350 cyclists have raised over \$500,000.

For more information, call 774-1113 or write to Bike-Aid '90, 2940 16th St., Suite 110, San Francisco, CA 94116 (415) 431-4480.



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Report: Additional funds needed to protect coastline

AUSTIN (AP) — More money, equipment and emergency training drills are needed to make sure Texas can combat an offshore oil spill and prevent an Exxon Valdez-style environmental disaster, a special task force reported Thursday.

"Texas must be fully prepared to respond to oil or chemical spills," Gov. Bill Clements said. "The beauty and vitality of our land and seascapes and our natural resources demand our vigilance."

Hance noted that vessels similar in size to the Exxon Valdez routinely sail the Texas Gulf Coast.

Heading the committee's list of recommendations are:

- Requiring annual spill response training drills coordinating local, state and federal agencies, schools and private industry.
- Having the oil industry and Coast Guard locate additional spill-fighting equipment in Corpus Christi and Beaumont to guarantee a quick response on the Texas coast.
- Urging the Legislature to beef up the Texas Spill Response Fund to its \$5 million limit. The fund currently contains only about \$700,000.
- Imposing educational requirements and testing of operators of oil tankers and oil storage facilities.
- Increasing state funding for academic and non-profit research in state-of-the-art spill cleanup technology.
- Continuing aggressive lobbying by state officials and Texas congressmen to defeat federal legislation that would slap oil spill liability ceilings on states. Texas, as do most states, currently has no cap on liability for spills.

Jury finds 12-year-old innocent

Boy not responsible for teacher's stabbing

FORT WORTH (AP) — A jury Thursday found a 12-year-old boy innocent in the stabbing death of Fort Worth elementary school teacher Jana Simpson.

The jury took less than two hours to reach the verdict.

"They (jury members) told me they took one vote and it was not guilty all the way around," the boy's attorney, Earl "Ernie" Bates, said.

The case hinged on the boy's admission that he killed the teacher, a statement he made after two hours of police questioning Sept. 6.

The boy recanted the admission that day.

The 24-year-old teacher was found stabbed to death outside her classroom at Glen Park Elementary School Aug. 28.

State District Judge Scott Moore allowed the boy's "I killed the teacher. I killed the teacher" statement from the Sept. 6 questioning admitted into the testimony.

On Wednesday, he told Moore that he was pressed into a confession by a police detective who showed him pictures of Simpson's dead body.

The boy was not called to testify during the four-day trial.

— Kent Hance, Railroad commissioner

The Governor's Oil Spill Advisory Committee issued recommendations after a five-month study ordered by Clements after the tanker Exxon Valdez ran aground, dumping more than 240,000 barrels of oil into Alaska's environmentally sensitive Prince William Sound.

"Texas must learn from the mistakes made in Alaska. Responding quickly, aggressively and effectively to an oil spill requires that our plans look more than just good on paper," Railroad Commission Chairman Kent Hance, a committee member,

Radioactive trash Board approves West Texas dump site for waste

AUSTIN (AP) — The Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Authority board voted unanimously Thursday to narrow its search for a radioactive waste dump site to 3,000 acres in far West Texas.

The area is near Fort Hancock, in southwestern Hudspeth County, about 40 miles east of El Paso.

After a hearing in Hudspeth County, the board will select an area within the 3,000 acres, said board Chairman Elbert Whorton.

"The area that we have designated, in our opinion, is a very, very credible site," Whorton said.

Whorton said he is confident a license for the low-level radioactive waste dump — the state's first — will be granted by the Department of Health's Bureau of Radiation Control after an application is submitted next year.

El Paso County Judge Luther Jones, a leader of dump opponents, said legal remedies would be pursued but declined to specify. Congressional help also has been sought to obtain a review of the site selection process by the federal Nuclear Regulatory Commission, he said.

"We're confident when they review it, they will be as horror-struck as we have been," he said.

Jones said the site is unsafe because it is susceptible to earthquakes "far in excess of the severity of the San Francisco quake," is in a flood plain; and poses damage to ground water.

The authority's staff said the mesquite- and creosote-covered area is well-suited for the dump, which could

open as soon as June 1993.

The staff had proposed the same site in February 1987, but El Paso County obtained an injunction from state district judge to stop the designation process. The injunction later was overturned by an appeals court.

Ruben Alvarado, chief engineer for the authority, acknowledged the potential exists for earthquakes. But he said quakes do not happen often, and that they would not affect operations at the site.

The waste will be encapsulated in massive concrete canisters and will be stable for centuries, the agency said. Studies show the depth to water at the site is more than 500 feet and rainfall is less than 10 inches per year according to the staff.

"We don't foresee anything that would jeopardize the site as far as our designation at this time," Whorton said.

State Sen. Tati Santiesteban, D-El Paso, objected to the recommendation, saying the waste material could spill during transport to the remote dump.

After an application to license the site is submitted to the Texas Department of Health, the department will conduct its own review, said Rick Jacobi, general manager of the authority.

The dump would store tons of gloves, tools and other waste from Texas nuclear plants, hospitals and laboratories.

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