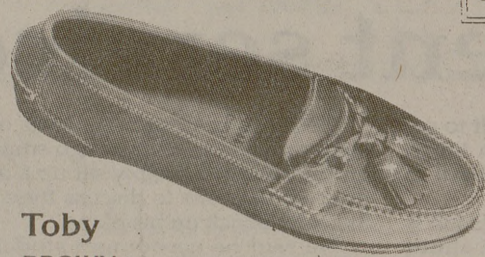


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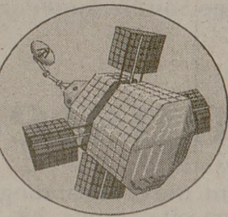


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WarCon '94, Texas's oldest gaming convention, will be back for another round this weekend. This year's WarCon will be offering the following:

Major Tournaments: AD&D (Team: Head-to-Head, RPGA, and Living City), Star Fleet Battles, Battletech, Car Wars, ASL, Shadowrun, Axis & Allies, and Magic: the Gathering.

Guests: Tim Beach from TSR, David "Zeb" Cook from TSR, Monte Cook from ICE, and Tim Lem Richards from Grey Worlds Magazine.

Plus: Minor Tournaments and 1-Shots, like Naval Miniatures, Modern Micro Armor, Paranoia, Magitech, Warhammer 40K, and Space Marines, Games Auction, Dealers' Room, Ammie Room, and a 24 hour Open Gaming room.

Registration begins Friday, Feb 4 at 3:00pm in room 203 MSC.

Prices:  
At the door \$15  
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For more information call MSC NOVA at 845-1515..

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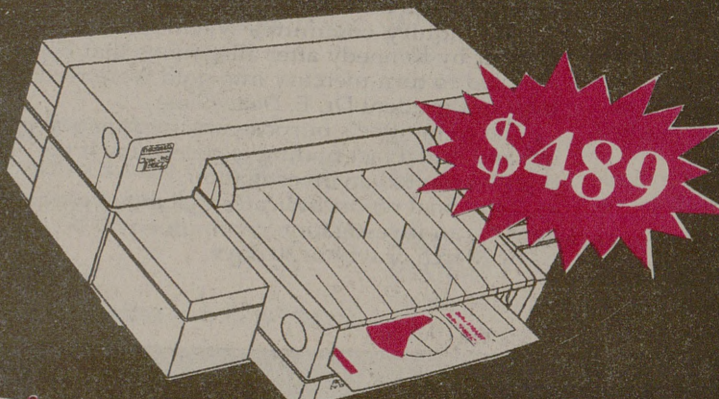


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## Gift shop offers contest to sell store

By Laurel Mosley

THE BATTALION

The owner of a gift store in Bryan is showing that some deals are not too good to be true.

Ron Martin, the owner of Pop-Abilities, is holding a contest to transfer ownership of the store because he and his wife, Robin, no longer have time to manage the business.

Contestants must submit a \$200 entry fee and an original jingle, slogan or a 500 word essay telling why they want to own their own business. The most innovative entry wins complete ownership of the business.

Martin has taken steps to assure he will not take a loss on this offer. If he does not receive at least 500 entries, he will cancel the contest and return the money to the contestants.

In addition to Pop-Abilities, Martin also

owns an advertising company and his wife works full time at Texas A&M.

"Owning your own business is a full-time job," Martin said. "My wife and I just don't have the time anymore."

Martin said owning a private business will be a learning experience for the winner of the contest.

"To own your own business gives a sense of pride," Martin said. "It takes a real commitment."

Martin encourages students to enter the contest and get the advantage of owning their own business without spending a lot of money to purchase the business.

"The exciting part is a person can own their own business without paying a lot for it," Martin said. "It's a great way to get experience."

Sam Gillespie, a professor of marketing, said the contest is a good idea if the right person wins.

"If somebody wants the business and believes the name has market value and can promote it, things could really work out for them," said Gillespie.

Gillespie said owning the business could be a good educational opportunity for students.

"They could learn how to promote and merchandise a business and work on a budget," said Gillespie. "They would also learn how to create an effective marketing program."

Martin said he put the business on the market a year ago and when it didn't sell, he decided to have the contest. He said he got the idea from a similar contest in Boston.

"I've been researching the idea and I decided to wait to start the contest until the students came back," Martin said.

The deadline for entries is April 15, 1994. Anyone interested should call (409) 361-5700 or 1-800-733-2917.

## Fortuneteller admits guilt in murder-for-hire

The Associated Press

BROWNSVILLE — A 72-year-old fortuneteller pleaded guilty on Monday to conspiring with a client to kill a teen-ager who broke up with the client's daughter.

"I'm guilty," Maria Mercedes Martinez said to District Judge Rogelio Valdez when agreeing to testify for the prosecution against Dora Garcia Cisneros and another alleged accomplice, Daniel Garza.

Cisneros, 56, wife of a prominent Brownsville surgeon, is accused of enlisting Martinez and Garza in a bizarre murder-for-hire scheme targeting Joey Fischer after the 18-year-old student broke off a relationship with Cisneros' daughter.

Jury selection was scheduled to continue through this week in the capital murder trial of Cisneros and Garza, 43, who is nicknamed "El Guero" — The Fairhaired One.

The judge on Monday denied

defense motions to try Cisneros and Garza separately.

Fischer, an honor student at an upscale Roman Catholic high school, was gunned down in front of his Rancho Viejo home on March 3, 1993.

The alleged trigger men are still at large.

During a pretrial hearing on Monday, Garza's attorney angrily accused Cameron County District Attorney Luis Saenz of breaking a pledge to drop the capital charge against Garza, who's accused of

paying the gunmen with Cisneros' money.

"Yes, I'm upset, but that's not my job to say about it," said attorney Fred Galindo said.

Galindo said the prosecutor had told the judge and defense attorneys last week that the state would seek the death penalty against Cisneros.

"They flatly stated in chambers to the judge: 'We're going to the state plan accordingly.'"

Saenz did not respond to the accusation.

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