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Sundays:  
9:00 a.m. Bus pick up on-campus (Quad, Commons, Fish Pond)  
9:23 a.m. College Bible Study  
10:00 a.m. Worship Service  
8:00 p.m. Chapel at All Faith's Chapel (Texas A&M Campus)

# BODY SL-A TM

## WCW brings professional wrestling to A&M

By M.V. PARKER  
*The Battalion*

Twenty-three minutes before showtime, the ring is set with neon spotlights, and music pumps up the 3,500 hungry fans. The 100-foot megatron, from where the wrestlers will emerge from, sparks the crowd's attention with lightning flashes and the words "WCW Thunder" written in gigantic letters. With the constant movement on the screen, glowing lights and club-like music, the restless fans are geared up for its opening act.

David Penzer, the WCW ring announcer responsible for energizing the crowd during commercial breaks, blurts out a few Texas A&M references before the pyrotechnics act as an opening curtain. After all, this is only a form of theater.

Mike, Tim and Robert, some older fans at the show, said that professional wrestling's shift to a sexier look is unnecessary. One of them said, "Just slam 'em a few times, you know. Slap 'em around; that's good enough."

In today's world of professional wrestling, the Claw Move of old-time wrestlers like Bill Curry, Fitz VonEric, Jose Lithario and Titrane has been replaced by something resembling high-wire circus jumps.

So to what do the younger fans of today gravitate? The Nitro Girls and Goldberg. In that order.

Each time "The Girls" appear, fans cheer for a highly choreographed dance routine while only a bra and cowboy chaps are left on their perfect limbs.

Kevin Eck, a columnist for WCW Magazine, said in his article "More Than Just Faces," "The philosophical shift concerning the women of wrestling has been apparent on WCW television recently.

In the past, females were portrayed merely as attractive arm pieces.... Today, however, they are flying off the top rope, delivering bodyslams and administering hand-spring elbows."

Anyone who loves to see women wrestle live should have been there. One obviously thrilled spectator screamed, "Rip her clothes off," which was followed by a round of laughs.

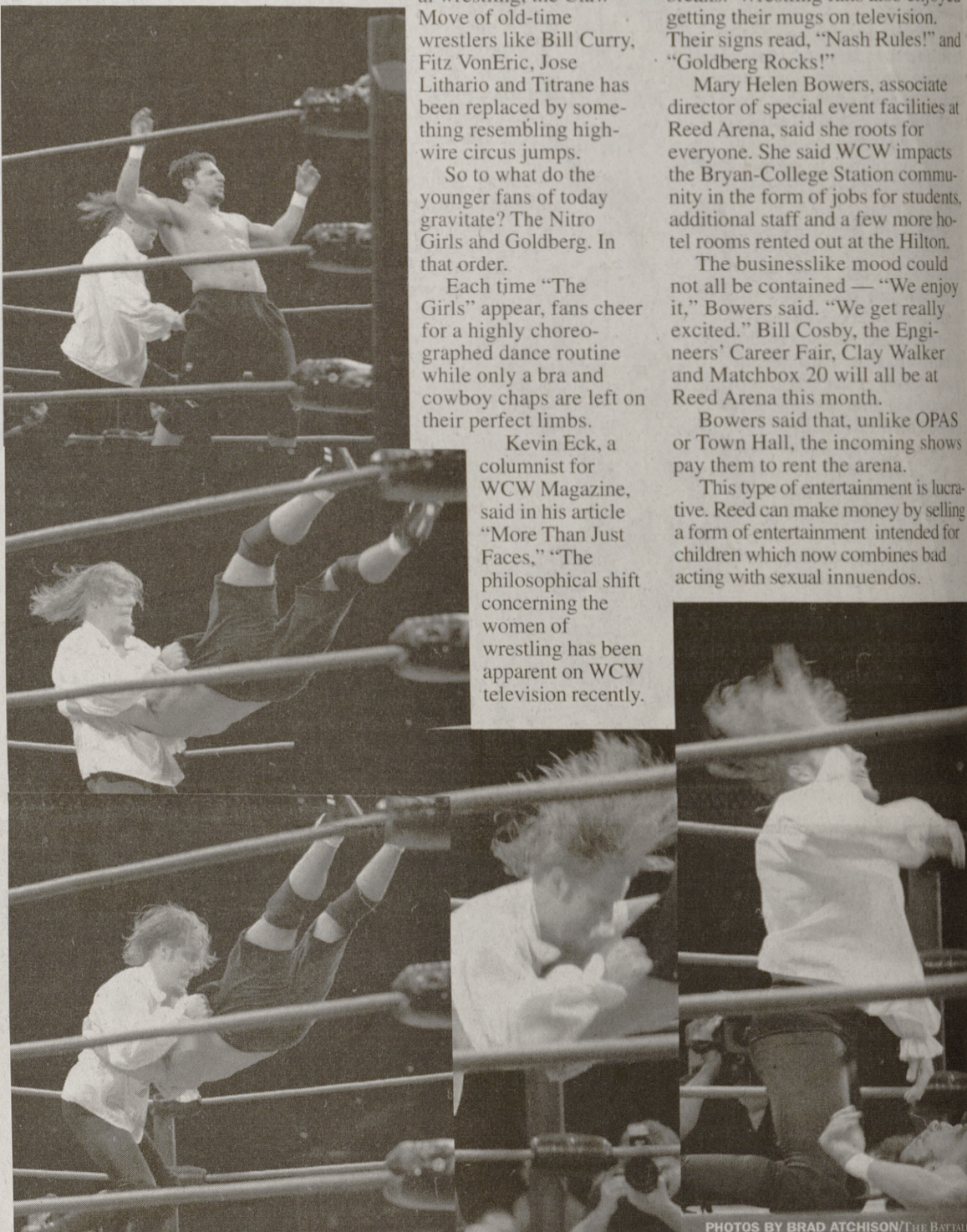
The songs "Up in Here," and "Messing Around" kept the crowd on its feet during commercial breaks. Wrestling fans also enjoyed getting their mugs on television. Their signs read, "Nash Rules!" and "Goldberg Rocks!"

Mary Helen Bowers, associate director of special event facilities at Reed Arena, said she roots for everyone. She said WCW impacts the Bryan-College Station community in the form of jobs for students, additional staff and a few more hotel rooms rented out at the Hilton.

The businesslike mood could not all be contained — "We enjoy it," Bowers said. "We get really excited." Bill Cosby, the Engineers' Career Fair, Clay Walker and Matchbox 20 will all be at Reed Arena this month.

Bowers said that, unlike OPAS or Town Hall, the incoming shows pay them to rent the arena.

This type of entertainment is lucrative. Reed can make money by selling a form of entertainment intended for children which now combines bad acting with sexual innuendos.



Two wrestlers put the smack down Tuesday night at WCW Thunder at Reed Arena.

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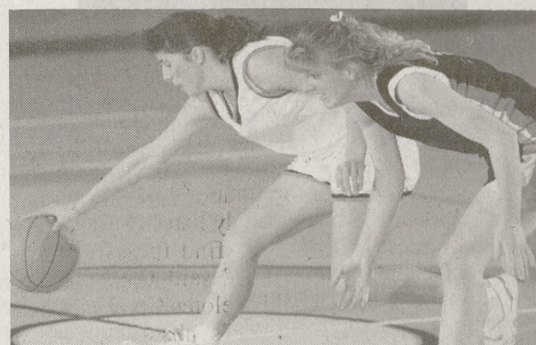
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### FALL 2000 GROUPS

- Women's Issues Group**  
Tuesdays 1:30 - 3:00PM  
Come together with other women and work on becoming the woman you've always wanted to be. Improve your self-confidence, assertiveness, and relationships by sharing and processing with other women with similar issues.  
Facilitators: Nancy Welch & Sarah Haley
- Gay/Lesbian/Bi/Transgender Support Group**  
Tuesdays 3:00 - 4:30 PM  
This group focuses on issues related to the coming out process, relationships, religious concerns, family conflicts, and whatever topics the group finds important to discuss.  
Facilitators: Mary Ann Moore & Cindy Peveto
- Non-Traditional Women's Group**  
Tuesdays 5:00 - 6:30 PM  
This therapy group for women 23+ allows each member to enter the group with her own unique issues and share, process and problem solve within a group context. This group can help individuals who are wanting to develop healthier ways of dealing with the stress of school and work, relationships, personal problems and family issues. When we begin to talk more honestly with others, we can often find new ways to deal with the problems we face.  
Facilitators: Amanda Samson & Cindy Peveto
- Interpersonal Growth & Exploration Group**  
Tuesdays (Group 1) 5:00 - 6:30 PM  
Wednesdays (Group 2) 1:30 - 3:00 PM  
This psychotherapy group is for students who desire to live more authentically with themselves and relate more genuinely with others. Group members will be helped to explore self-limiting life patterns and share themselves with others through honest self-disclosure in a safe, supportive atmosphere.  
Facilitators:  
Ron Lutz & Theresa Sharpe (Group 1)  
Ron Lutz & Sarah Haley (Group 2)

- Self-Hypnosis Training Seminar**  
Mondays 9:30 - 11:00 AM  
Self-hypnosis is a potent tool for attaining greater self-mastery through relaxation and focused awareness. Students in this seminar will acquire skill in using self-hypnosis to enhance physical, academic, and social functioning.  
Screening is required.  
Facilitator: Ron Lutz
- Empowering Yourself Group**  
Mondays 1:30 - 3:00 PM  
A group for women and men with sexual molestation in their pasts. Identifying and exploring aftereffects of abuse will be the focus. Dealing with relationships, building self-esteem, and gaining power are emphasized.  
Facilitators: Robert Carter & Nancy Welch
- Biofeedback Workshop**  
Mondays 5:00 - 6:30 PM  
One-session workshops that give an introduction to relaxation techniques, including how biofeedback aids in relaxation. Individual follow-up consultation is available.  
Facilitator: Steve Wilson
- Conflict & Loss in Relationships Group**  
Mondays 5:00 - 6:30 PM  
This group is for students who are currently or have previously experienced conflict in interpersonal or romantic relationships, or who have recently experienced a loss of a meaningful relationship.  
Facilitators: Brian Williams & Lynelle Ragland
- Anxiety Group**  
Tuesdays 3:00 - 4:30 PM  
An interpersonal group for students who suffer from general or social anxieties. Students will be able to work on the impact of anxieties in their lives, as well as explore the interpersonal meanings of anxiety symptoms. It is not a behaviorally oriented group, and thus, probably will not be as helpful for more restricted anxieties (i.e. single or simple phobias) or obsessive compulsive disorder.  
Facilitators: Steve Wilson & Nancy Stebbins

- Academic SURVIVOR Series**  
Wednesdays 4:00 - 5:30 PM  
Need some help managing your time, taking notes, preparing for a test? It's not too late to get prepared to meet the ULTIMATE CHALLENGE...ACADEMIC SURVIVAL! Before the "tribal counsel votes you off," attend this Wednesday series from 4:00-5:30 PM beginning October 25 and ending November 15.  
Facilitators: Patti Collins & Lynelle Ragland
- Dissertation/Thesis Support Group**  
Wednesdays 5:00 - 6:30 PM  
This group is for graduate students who are struggling with the process of writing a thesis or dissertation. Group topics include issues of competence, procrastination, anxiety, goal-setting, and bureaucratic struggles.  
Facilitators: Brian Williams & Debbie Rabinowitz
- Multicultural Issues & Relationships Group**  
Wednesdays 5:00 - 6:30 PM  
The purpose of this group is to increase awareness of multicultural issues and improve communication and self-confidence when dealing with multicultural relationships. Group topics may include, but are not limited to, cultural shock; cultural, religious, and social differences; and bi-cultural/multicultural relationship issues. This group is open to all students.  
Facilitators: Gisela Lin & Amanda Samson
- Eating Concerns & Body Image Issues Group**  
Thursdays 3:00 - 4:30 PM  
The purpose of this group is to increase insight about eating problems and make progress toward recovery. Group topics may include daily eating and exercise behaviors, dealing with others about food issues, developing trusting relationships, expressing feelings, and managing stress. A PHYSICIAN'S RELEASE IS REQUIRED FOR GROUP PARTICIPATION.  
Facilitators: Debbie Rabinowitz & Theresa Sharpe
- Older Than Traditional Age Group**  
Fridays 1:30 - 3:00 PM  
This group addresses concerns that differ from those of the traditional undergraduate student. Potential topics are marriage, divorce, office politics, committee chairpersons, dissertation projects, and dealing with children or partners.  
Facilitators: Robert Carter & Debbie Rabinowitz

**Student Counseling Service**  
Division of Student Affairs  
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What is group counseling and how can it help?

Group counseling involves about four to ten people meeting with one or two counselors serving as group leaders. Group leaders work to provide a safe, confidential environment where group members are free to discuss their problems and concerns. Through the group, members identify with others who are experiencing similar issues and increase their self-awareness by obtaining genuine and honest feedback.

How much you talk about yourself depends on what you are comfortable with. You can benefit from group even when you are saying little because you will learn about yourself as others talk about their concerns. Make an appointment at the SCS to speak to a screening counselor or to help you determine if a group might benefit you.

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