"If it happened in Fort Worth ... it's news to us!"

The Chaser

Fort Worth Chapter of the Society of Professional Journalists

February 1996

Verlie Edwards' President's Platform

Start the Gridiron countdown

Fort Worth native Bob Schieffer, chief Washington correspondent for CBS News, will serve as the celebrity roastmaster for the 1996 Golden Gridiron — our 50th celebration of raucous roasting — and if that doesn't jumpstart your stage juices, then we'll just refund your entry fee in the Tallulah Bankhead phonetic name spelling contest right now.

Watch the crowd for Bob's brother Tom, Texas Rangers president. Maybe some of his high-dollar players will tag along. Make 'em buy three Yellow Jaundices — each! (Remember, the reason we're doing this, in addition to being hams, is to raise money for scholarships.)

If you have not returned your card indicating what you want to do, please send it in today. Our committee chairs need to know.

Committee Chairs

Co-producers: Verlie Edwards, Ann Gilliland

Director: Brynn Bristol, managing director, Fort Worth Theater

Assistant Director: Mary Margaret Whitten,

Fort Worth Theater

NewsmakerAwards: Dorothy Estes

Script Chief: Donna Darovich

Publicity: Bill Lawrence

Tickets/table sales: Lou Brooks

Makeup: Ann Delbridge

Table decorations: Kay Pirtle

Seating arrangements: Loyd Turner

Yellow Jaundice editor: Frank Perkins

Ad sales: Doug Jumper; full page \$450; half page \$250; quarter page \$175; business card \$75

Single copy sales: Mike Cochran

Rehearsal Schedule

March 5, 6 p.m. Casting call and script night, Greater Fort Worth Association of Realtors, 2650 Parkview Drive; phone 336-5165.

March 6-7, 13-14, 18, 20 and 21, 6-9 p.m., Orchestra Hall, 4401 Trail Lake Drive.

March 25-29. Show week, Roundup Inn, Will Rogers Complex.

Speakers, activities mark rebound of UTA chapter Nancy Monson of the FOI Foundation will address the UTA student chapter at 12:15 p.m. Wednesday in the Student Publications offices, the latest event on the resurgent group's slate.

Mike Cochran of the Asociated Press spoke last month. Approximately 20 percent of the attendees at last month's professional chapter meeting were UTA students.

Suffering from Internet frustration?

This McIntosh has the answers for cyber reporters

When is "yahoo!" an exclamation of relief, and when is it a search engine on the Internet?

With a name like McIntosh, February's speaker is a natural to answer this and other newsroom computer questions as she leads

Fort Worth SPJ members and their guests through that hazy maze and winding, twisting cybernetic path that's supposed to offer copious facts, knowledge and insight, commonly known as the Internet. More often it causes large doses of frustration, heartburn, stress, migraines, blurred vision and shingles.

Join us at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 20, on the TCU campus for instant relief from Internet therapist Shawn McIntosh.

Shawn was in at the beginning of computer-assisted reporting. Today as assistant projects editor with The Dallas Morning News she is considered the guru of Internet fact-gatherers.

Before coming to Dallas, Shawn was with USA Today's projects department, editing and

supervising computer-assisted and poll reporting projects. Prior to that she was a reporter and editor with several newspapers in the southern United States.

The TCU journalism Macintosh (different

clan from Shawn) labs, site of the meeting, are in the Moudy Building, south wing, second floor. The Moudy Building is at University Drive and Cantey Street, the structure with the large glass marque that doesn't look at all like anything else in the neighborhood.

All TCU parking lots are open to visitors after 5 p.m. One lot is across the street, immediately to the north, with other lots behind the building and across the street to the south. There are no restrictions on numbered

and reserved spaces after 5 p.m.

Come mingle over pizza and soft drinks at 6:30 p.m. in the adjoining lounge area. Shawn will begin her presentation at 7. Cost is \$5 for professional members and, well, \$5 for students. Board meeting is at 5:30, same location.

RSVP

call by noon Tuesday, Feb. 20:

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