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National Library Week, April 4-10, 1976

Come See What's New Besides Books

Theme: At The Library? At The Library!

Special Exhibts All Week In R. Banks Library

The W. R. Banks Library is leading the University in the celebration of National Library Week on April 4-10.

The Theme of the week's celebration is "At the Library? At the library!---Come See what's new besides books." Across the nation librarians, publishers, educators and the public join in a frontal attack on illiteracy and public apathy toward books, reading and libraries.

A special convocation was held on Wednesday, April 7 in the Memorial Center Ballroom. The

speaker for the occasion was Mrs. Florence Edwards Borders, Director, Armistad Collection at Dillard University, New Orleans, La.

Mrs. Borders is a graduate of Southern University and of Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge, La.

A large number of students and staff members attended the 10:00 a.m. services.

International Day is being observed Thursday, April 8 and Faculty Day on Friday, April 9. A children's story hour is scheduled from 10 a.m. to 12 noon on Saturday.



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Miss PV Pageant Set April 22

"Beauty" - "An American Tradition," the Seventh Annual Miss Prairie View Pageant sponsored by Prairie View A&M University in cooperation with the Miss Texas and Miss America Pageants, will be an event of Thursday, April 22, 1976 at 7:30 p.m. in the Prairie View A&M University Field House.

Six beautiful and talented young ladies will compete in talent, stage presence, self-confidence, creative expression, etc. for the 1976-77 title. This year's contestants are: Irma Balthazar, Houston; Ethel Clack, San Antonio; Etta Givens, San Antonio; Valerie Holmes, Killeen; Arleen Kimble, Texas City; and Shelly Townsend, Houston.

The winner of the Miss Prairie View Pageant will compete in the Miss Texas Pageant at Ft. Worth this July. Should she win the state



WINS SPEECH AWARDS—Kenneth Edmondson, Communications major, recently won superior ranking in dramatic and poetry oral presentations in regional college competition. (See story and photo on inside



ELECTED TO CITY COUNCIL—Sidney N. Hicks, President of the Student Senate, is now a member of the Prairie View City Council having been elected in the regular election last Saturday.

Home Economics College Salutes "The Young Child"

The College of Home Economics is conducting "A

competition, she would then represent the State of Texas in the Miss America Pageant, held annually in Atlantic City, New Jersey. "Our association with the Miss Texas/Miss America Pageants for the past six years has offered tremendous opportunities to our entire student body," commented W. Van Johnson, Dir. of Student Activities and Executive Committee Chairman for the 1976 Miss Prairie View Pageant. Prairie View A&M University is the only minority institution in the State with the franchise in the Miss Texas Pageant.

Salute to the Month of the Young Child" with the theme "The Right of Every Child: To be Well Born" as a part of its 1975-76 program.

The objectives of the Salute to the Young Child are to:

1. raise the consciousness of the Prairie View A&M University community to the needs and rights of young children.
2. dramatize areas of immediate concern in insuring every child the right to be well born.
3. provide a forum for students to interact with persons involved in programs designed to improve the quality of life of children and families.

According to Dr. Flossie Byrd, Dean of the College of Home Economics, several activities are scheduled throughout April. A seminar on the topic "Our responsibility to the Abused Child" was held on April 5. The Annual Train ride for Child Development Center enrollees was held on April 6, and a Tape Festival was set for April 7.

A Pre-Easter program is set for April 8 and a Film Festival on April 9.

An exhibit from the college can be seen in the Northwest Mall in Houston on April 10.

Men's Week Being Observed April 5-11

The department of Men is observing its annual Men's Week on April 5 through 11th. The theme of the week is "The Prairie View Man."

A complete schedule of activities may be found on page 5.

YEARBOOK FEATURE—A lucky young man gets all the attention of bathing beauties during special photographing in Houston of elected students favorites last week. Imagine such shots in living color, and increase the number 10 fold. Scene:Stouffers Hotel in Greenway Plaza.

Symphonic Band Concert April 8

Prairie View A&M University's Symphonic Band raises the curtain on its annual spring concert at 8 p.m. Thursday (April 8), reports director Dr. Lucius Wyatt.

The program is at the women's gymnasium at PVAM and will include selections from Tschaikovsky, Binge, Osser and others.

Featured soloists include Gregory Guillory, James Bennett and Ronnie Davis.

The Symphonic Band will also present concerts this spring in Port Arthur, Beaumont and Dallas, adds Wyatt.



HONOR STUDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES—The largest week. Annual Honors Convocation. President and Mrs. A. I. Thomas and representation of parents and relatives of honor students was seen during last speaker Judge Andrew Jefferson of Houston are standing in center.

Freshman Class Presents

By Gwylene Wright

With all her parliamentary procedures in tact, Yovanda Lorraine Williams represents the freshman class well.

Williams hails from Dehalt High School in Dehalt, Texas. She is a former leader of the Showcase, member of the Senior Programming Committee, and reporter of the Student Council. She is also the recipient of the title of "Most Spoken."

She diligently stated, "My plans for the freshman class is to let them be able to come here to see activities that won't keep them bored to death and to get them involved in P. V. life history."

Her extracurricular activities include the Prairie View A&M University Marching Band and Student Government.



Yovanda Williams

She enjoys singing and communicating with others.

Williams' ambition is to be a soul singing star, help Prairie View A&M University to grow and travel all over the world.

Biology Group Hears Houston Health Dept. Lab Director

Dr. Thomas W. Huber, Chief, Laboratory, City of Houston Public Health Department, presented a seminar entitled, "The Role of a Regional Health Laboratory in Public Health" to the students and faculty of the Biology Department on Wednesday, March 24, 1976. Dr. Huber was assisted by Mr. Bill Milligan from the City Health Department. Dr. Huber spoke on the support role his laboratory plays in federally sponsored city programs and as a regional reference laboratory for hospitals and clinics. Dr. Huber showed slides of the various

activities which go on in the City Health Laboratories. The responsibilities of the laboratory involve pollution (air and water) analysis, health surveillance projects, surveys for encephalitis, screening for tuberculosis, venereal disease testing, as well as routine clinical work.

The Biology Department was pleased to have Dr. Huber take time from his busy schedule to talk with the students and faculty. His seminar was an excellent overview of the duties and responsibilities of the City Health Laboratories of Houston.

Industrial Education Flea Market and Fair Planned

In an effort to better stimulate actual industrial conditions, practice, and industrial instruction media in industrial education, the College of Industrial Education and Technology is planning an Industrial Education "Flea Market" and Industrial Education Fair on April 25-26, 1976. According to Dr. S. R. Collins, Dean of the College of Industrial Education and Technology, this is the first concentrated endeavor to

present to the public modules, projects, industrial exhibits and other related materials with emphasis on needs for continued industrial technological growth and the development in our modern society.

Each industrial laboratory in the College of Industrial Education and Technology and selected local high schools will exhibit projects, in addition to projects for sale. Proceeds from the sale of projects will go toward the scholarship fund.

Faculty-Staff News

Orman Named to Teacher Ed. Board

The Texas Association of Teacher Educators meeting in Corpus Christi, Texas April 1-2, 1976 elected Bill Orman, Director Prairie View Teacher Center as a member of its Executive Board. Orman was also named by the Association as its Alternate Delegate to the National Assembly of the American Teachers Association.

The Conference, "Inventing The Future Through Education" featured Deavy C. Corrigan, Dean College of Education and Social Service, The University of Vermont, addressing topics, "Needed Reforms in Schools and Colleges," and "Inventing the Future Through Education."

Team Representatives from Prairie View A&M University included the following: Mrs. Theola Woods, and Carolyn Plemper (Waller ISD) and Bill Orman (PV A&M).

Bicentennial Smoke

The world's longest cigar—a record 200 inches (over 16 feet long)—was displayed in honor of the Bicentennial at an annual fair held September 6, 1975 in South Windsor, Conn.

Made of Connecticut broad leaf tobacco, the hand-made cigar took 11 hours to roll, and represents 75 hours of smoking pleasure. It is now on permanent display in a glass-topped case in South Windsor's City Hall.

Plaques and certificates will be awarded to both college and high school students for outstanding projects.

Projects will be on display in the lobby of the Field House, Sunday, April 25; the "Flea Market" and Fair will be in Alumni Hall Monday, April 26 throughout the day.

Help From Volcanoes?

Hawaiians think they may soon have a partial solution to the energy crisis, but it won't do the rest of us much good.

The Federal Energy Administration reports that scientists in Hawaii are trying to harness the heat of volcanoes to generate electric power.

They have not yet been successful, but a research team is about to drill 6,000 feet into the side of Kilauea, the world's most active volcano. If they can find a steady supply of steam or hot water, a generating plant could be operating on the site by 1979.

Dr. Stafford Named Sec't of Nat'l Group

Dr. George R. Stafford, Director of Admissions, has been elected secretary of the A. H. E. A. D., Division of the American Personnel Guidance Association.

The Admissions Officer and Director of Counseling Center has served and is presently an officer in several other professional organizations.

Governor Briscoe Appoints Dr. Owens To Texas Navy

Dr. Emory R. Owens, PV physician and Director of Health Services, has been commissioned an Admiral in the Texas Navy by Governor Dolph Briscoe.

The Texas Navy was established in 1836, and played a vital role in winning Texas Independence.

The Navy will be represented at various Bicentennial programs throughout the county and all Admirals, are requested to participate in local activities.

Texas Among Seven States With Over Million Elderly

Texas and six other states now have populations of more than one million persons aged 65 and over and two of them—California and New York—have more than two million, the Census Bureau reported. The agency said the estimates were made in mid-1975 and are subject to possible revision later.

The number of states in 1975 with more than one million elderly is three more than at the time of the 1970 census. No state had as many as two million persons 65 and older in 1970, the bureau said. The other states with more than one million elderly in 1975 were Pennsylvania, Florida, Illinois and Ohio.

At the other end of the scale, the population under five years of age dropped in most states, including eight of the ten most populous, the agency said. Texas and Florida were exceptions. Regionally, only the South showed an increase in the number of those under five, but all four regions showed increases in those 65 and older between 1970 and 1975.

Does your car need an oil change? Refill with the lowest SAE number recommended by the car manufacturer. Heavy oil tends to increase friction and decrease fuel economy.



Dr. Alvin I. Thomas (l) observes as Dr. Anne L. Campbell (c) receives an NCTE award from William H. Chapman (r).

Dr. Campbell Honored By NCTE

Dr. Anne L. Campbell, Professor and Head Emeritus of the Department of English was recently cited by the Black Caucus of the National Council of Teachers of English for her outstanding contributions to the profession.

In presenting the award on behalf of the NCTE, William H. Chapman, Head of English Freshman Studies, mentioned that Dr. Campbell had "a very distinguished service record with the organization." Chapman said, "she participated on panels, presented papers, served as chairman and generally represented Black English teachers long before it was fashionable for Blacks to be our front." Chapman further said that she is "a shining example of what all English teachers should represent."

Most recently Dr. Campbell

served as secretary of the Conference on College Composition. When she was elected to that high, prestigious office, she was the first black person to be elected to so high a position in the CCCC.

Her certificate was presented to Dr. Campbell at a recent Founders Day Convocation held by the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority.

Labor Market News

In the years since 1970, the number of young men of ages at which they normally enter college and the labor market (18 to 29 years) has grown to 44.6 million, an increase of 6.5 million or 17 per cent.

Because of a reduction in the armed forces, only about 1.6 million of them are in the military service compared with 2.5 million of the 38 million in this age group in 1970.

Dr. Thomas Is Speaker— Baptist Church in Houston Honors Retiring Minister

Relatives and friends honored Rev. Salomon Armstead with a Retirement Reception recently at Jordan Grove Baptist Church, Houston, Texas.

Rev. Armstead associated minister of the Jordan Grove Baptist Church retired from the Rice Hotel Establishment after twenty-four (24) years of service.

Dr. Alvin I. Thomas president of Prairie View A&M University delivered the eloquent retirement address the theme of his message was centered around love.

Many of the guests were Houston community leaders, representatives from city offices, churches, friends and relatives. Also present were Mrs. Delea M. Hunt and Rev. W. Van Johnson.

The honoree received many lovely and useful gifts.

At the time of the reception Rev. Armstead was ill. He is now home at 3314 Wichita Houston, Texas and is doing much better.

Rev. and Mrs. Armstead would like to thank their many friends and relatives for helping to make the reception a memorable occasion and for the many lovely gifts.

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NUTRITION SEMINAR—Left to right, Mrs. M. T. DiFerrante, Mrs. Anita Fincher, Dr. F. M. Byrd, Miss Evelyn Tyson and Miss Ethel Clack.

Nutrition Seminar Series Successful

The Nutrition Seminar Series conducted by the College of Home Economics on March 18, 23 and 24 proved very successful. The Seminar guests were most informative in the areas of dietetic services represented by their positions.

The first consultant, Mrs. M. T. DiFerrante, Registered Dietitian, discussed "Nutrition Education: An Asset to Community Health" and emphasized the role of the Public Health Nutritionist in the improvement of community health. She works to improve the health status of individuals and families through planned dietary assistance programs. Mrs. DiFerrante is located at the West End Health Center and is employed by the City of Houston.

Mrs. Joyce Wolak, Registered Dietitian, Daily Council, Inc., Houston works with programs which help teachers and children learn about foods. "Feeding the Nation's Children: The Little Ideas Concept" is a teaching

program which identifies the Basic Four Food groups and teaches those foods commonly eaten by children as a means of helping children learn about foods.

The culminating seminar was conducted by Dr. Buford L. Nichols, Jr., Pediatrician affiliated with Texas Children's Hospital, Houston. He discussed the "Relationship Between Nutrition and Infections" and pointed out the significance of proper diet in the recovery from infectious diseases. Dr. Nichols says that "there is an obvious interaction between energy intake, energy utilization and infection."

Infection takes its toll on the nutritional status of the host while on the other hand malnutrition decreases the host's ability to resist infection. Hence, the vicious cycle sets in.

The Seminars were beneficial to the students in that they provided an opportunity for the students to interact with persons involved in various fields of dietetic services to

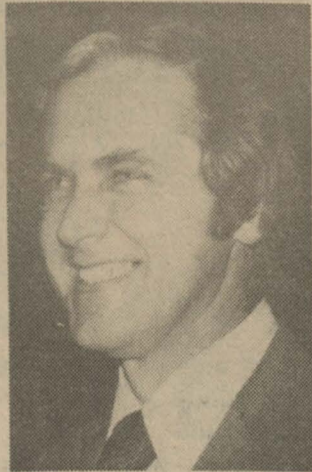
A Salute To The Young Child

The College of Home Economics salutes the Young Child in the month of April 1976. The theme for this Bicentennial year salute is "THE RIGHT OF EVERY CHILD: TO BE WELL BORN". The emphases in the College are to: 1) raise the consciousness of the Prairie View A&M University community to the needs and rights of young children; 2) dramatize areas of immediate concern in insuring every child the right to be well born; and 3) provide a forum for students to interact with persons involved in programs designed to improve the quality of life of children and families.

Activities have been planned in the College of Home Economics to include seminars, film and tape festivals with emphasis on methods of child care and understanding young children, and a train ride and Pre-Easter program for the Child Development Center enrollees. The seminar topics dramatize the issues of Child Abuse and The Effects of Drugs on Children.

Mr. Gene Lege, executive Director, Harris County Child Welfare Unit, Houston, will be the seminar guest. Mr. Lege was born in Abbyville, Louisiana and earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Sociology from Lamar University, Beaumont, Texas. He earned his Masters degree in Social Work from the University of Texas, Austin. Mr. Lege's professional experience include: 1) Child Welfare Worker, Department of Public Welfare; 2) Supervisor, Port Arthur sub-office, Jefferson County Child Welfare Unit; 3) Beaumont Family Service Agency, part-time

individuals and families. An April is planned for contact between students and Home Economics alumni in varied dietetic service professions.



Gene Lege

employee; and 4) Harris County Child Welfare Unit, Assistant Director and presently Director of the Unit. He is professionally affiliated with the 1) Greater Houston Youth Council; 2) Conference of Agency Executives, President, 1976; 3) San Jacinto Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers, Treasurer, 1976; 4) Child Welfare Agency Executives; 5) Health, Education, and Welfare, Region VI Task Force on Protective Services, Co-Chairman, 1976; and 6) TRIAD. He has served as a consultant on 1) Project D. A. R. E. (Drug Abuse Reaches Everyone); 2) Parents without Partners; 3) Comprehensive Emergency Services Conference, Nashville, Tennessee; 4) Task Force on Services to Runaway Youth, Kansas City; 5) Development of Management Capability for Community Level Coordination of Services for Youth in El Paso; 6) Child Care '76; and 7) Mini-University.

The Child Development Center is participating in the Houston Area Association for the Education of Young Children activities which will include a display and activities

Division of Natural Sciences Holds Science Institute

The division of Natural Sciences held its Annual Institute for the Advancement of Sciences on March 17, 1976. The group of 150 high school students and teachers was given a warm welcome by Dr. Alvin I. Thomas, President of Prairie View A&M University.

The theme was, "The Role of Administrators in Promoting Science Education for Youth" and the keynote speaker was Dr. Charles Ireland, Hospital Director at Howard University in Washington, D. C. who discussed the major health problems confronting Black people today.

A special presentation on methods used by high schools to promote interest in science education was presented by representatives of various high schools. These participants were Mrs. Tanya Holden, Science Instructor of George Washington Carver High School; Mrs. Ruby Summers, Assistant Principal, and Miss Jamie Dooley, Senior Student of Jesse Jones High School; Mr. Joseph Drayton, Assistant Principal of Wheatley High School; Mr. Odell Davis, Assistant Principal of M. C. Williams High School; and Mr. Carmen Stewart, Counselor of Jack Yates High School.

Three papers were presented by high school students. They for young children in Northwest Mall, Houston, April 10. This activity is designed to acquaint the community with the goals and activities of the Center as well as to promote the community's awareness of the needs of young children.

In Argentina, food prices rose 275.4 per cent between September 1974 and September 1975.

are as follows: "The Noble Gases" by Miss Janis Rena Hull, Wheatley High School; "The Atom" by Mr. Lee Zachary Maxey, Wheatley High School; and "Investigations of Sodium Movement in *Batis maritima*" by Miss Patrice Oliver of Jack Yates High School.

Nine papers were presented by Natural Science students of Prairie View A&M University. They are as follows: "Holography, A New Method of Recording Images"—Anthony Jones; "New Anticoagulant Substance from *Ferula species*"—Darlene Laffitte; "Separation of Acid Degradation Products by Cation Exchange"—Glen Roberts; "Effects of Pteridines on Growth of *Enterobacter aerogenes*"—Marion Lucas Owens; "Factors Affecting Spore Germination in *Dictyostelium discoideum*"—Eula Forte; "Determination of Relative Cell Size and Growth of *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*"—Samuel Hill; "Cell Proliferation in the Brain of *Rana pipiens* Following Thyroxine Treatment"—Earnest Johnson; "Racial Factors in Breast Cancer"—Alice Pendleton; and "Stimulation of Growth and Inhibition of Development in *Dictyostelium discoideum*"—Emmanuel Toye. Miss Irma Balthazar, Chemistry Major, and Mr. Gerard Mosby, Biology Major, presided over the sessions on student papers.

Students assisting with the program included Natural Science Majors and Members of Beta Beta Beta Biological Society. The Co-Chairmen of the Institute were Dr. J. E. Berry and Mr. R. E. Gibson.

Oswald Johnson
President
Beta Beta Beta

Drama Students To Perform In San Antonio

Prairie View--Drama students from Prairie View University will be in San Antonio Friday (April 9) to present an original work of their director to the Southern Speech Association.

"Herbert the Third," a two-character piece--featuring senior Mary Minor of Anderson and Kenneth Edmondson, Port Arthur junior--was written by Dr. Ted Shine, drama head at PVAM.

He premiered it last year at the University of Indiana.

Shine says the play centers around the relationship between a black couple in Dallas. Each spouse has conflicting ideas on raising the children.

The play will be evaluated by the SSA. Convention headquarters is El Tropicana Motor Hotel.

Before journeying to San Antonio, PVAM's drama division will send representa-

tives to the Texas A&M campus in College Station. The Charles Gilpin Players will stage Lonnie Edler's "Ceremonies in Dark Old Men" Wednesday (April 7) as guests of the Black Awareness Committee.

Treasury Says It's No Joke, \$2 Bill Is Back

If you received one on April 1, you might think it was an April Fool's joke, so the U.S. Treasury Department is waiting until April 13 to reissue the \$2 bill.

Printing of the bill was discontinued in 1966, with the low level of public demand cited as the primary reason. Reissuance of the bill was prompted by recent studies which show major savings resulting from the reduction in the number of \$1 bills required.

At present, the \$1 bill represents about 60 per cent, or 1.7 billion, of the total number of currency pieces produced annually. By gradually replacing half of the face value of the annual requirement with \$2 notes, the Treasury expects to save \$35 million over the next five years.

A portrait of Thomas Jefferson by Gilbert Stuart will be on the face of the bill, and a

"Blue Leaves" Successfully Presented

By Roger L. Hunter

The Charles Gilpin Players recently presented John Gure's award winning off Broadway play "House of Blue Leaves." Although the play had a certain vague absurdity about it, it was entertaining. The performance was a slightly humorous view of

a madcap couple living in Queens, New York in the mid '60's. Artie Schnessy, played by Rickey Bradford, is a middle aged, tone deaf songwriter, who has the highest esteem for himself and feels his major handicap is his loony wife, Bananas, delightfully played by Andrea Bell. Majorie Richardson portrayed Bunny, an

overweight, pushy woman, whom Artie is hopefully infatuated with, primarily for her heralded skills in the kitchen.

There were several beautifully human moments in the play and these were the moments the cast most successfully presented. Most of the characters developed themselves quite well and of all them were well rounded enough to show more than one side of their personalities. Bananas who was hilariously crazy allowed one to wonder whether or not she was the most sane. And indeed, Artie and Bunny who claimed to be in complete control of their faculties left no doubt that these were at least a few loose marbles rolling around in their heads.

There were however certain factors that detracted from the presentation such as petit Ms. Richardson's attempt to play a fat woman. In spite of the bulky padding, Margie simply didn't come across as overweight, merely overstuffed. And then there is Mr. Bradford who depicted Artie as so tone deaf it is almost impossible to believe he aspired to write songs.

Nevertheless, the efforts of the cast and Dr. Shine as director was successful and the play was entertaining and hilarious in an "I Love Lucy" sort of way. The production provided a thoroughly enjoyable evening at the theatre.

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Editorial Comment

By Larry Randolph

As we enter into this Spring of our 75-76 school year let me again emphasize the importance of us realizing our real purpose for being in school. One can never say it enough, that education and a meaningful career should be the goal of the black college students of today. This is a must.

Realizing that Prairie View is located outside the realm of the working people, we still have to stay in contact with them. It is imperative that all students read such magazines as U. S. News; World Report, Time, Ebony, Jet, Essence, and the local newspapers such as the Post and Chronicle. All students must listen to some radio station daily, and look at some TV station news. By doing this, we are able to stay on top of what's happening in the world, the country, the state, the city, and the communities.

Education is gained not only through books purchased at the College Exchange and from other students, but education is brought through Reading magazines, newspapers, and other types of media.

A lot of things have happened all around us since this year started. Are you aware of them?

Voter Registration

By Cynthia Shanklin

Mark White, the secretary of the state of Texas, and his staff were present at the student senate meeting, Wednesday, March 11, 1976.

The purpose of Mr. White's visit was to give aid and information regarding the proper filing of voter registration materials issued from Leroy Symm, the County Assessor-Collector of Waller County.

Secretary White discussed the current voter registration laws in Texas. He stated that every individual 18 years of age, and a citizen has the right to vote. Mr. White went on to say that in the state of Texas each person determines his residency in the particular county where he would like to vote.

Residency is the key factor in the Prairie View Students right to vote issue. Residency is determined by Leroy Symm's in Waller County, while students are kept ignorant to the fact of how he decides who is or is not a resident. Mr. White pointed out to students one of the key questions in the Questionnaire pertaining to residency in Waller County was the one asking students if they plan to reside in Waller County indefinitely? How long is indefinitely? Indefinitely, is a question that only the student can answer. According to Mr. White, another key question is, what address is listed with your college as your home address? Mr. White stated that section 508K saying that students are presumed to live at their former residence before entering college was declared unconstitutional. This means that students should be allowed the same resident requirements as any other citizen, without being subjected to a vague amount of extra criteria.

Student's questioned Mr. White about the legality of the Questionnaire, and he informed them that although he did not agree with it; it was perfectly legal, because of the Balance vs. Symm's court case. Students wanted to know why Prairie View A&M University Students were the only students being deprived of the right to vote, through usage of a questionnaire, that they felt was unconstitutional. Mr. White again referred back to the court case. He stated he had no power in destroying the Questionnaire, but that he did have the power to see that Leroy Symm's was being fair in his decisions concerning each student's residency.

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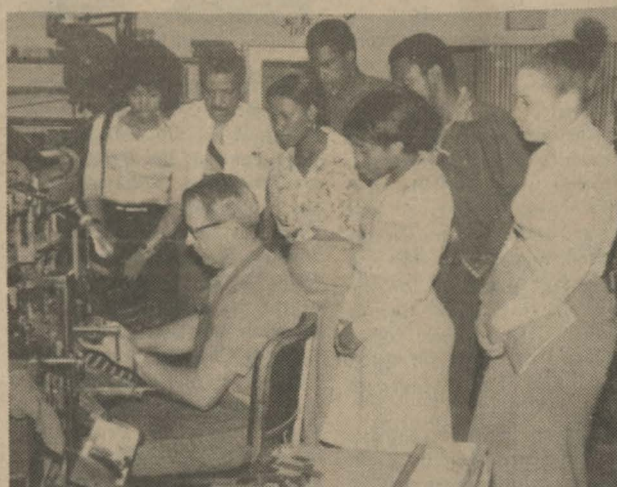
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JOURNALISM CLASS—Members of the News Editing class taught by Dr. C. A. Woods are pictured at the Sealy News plant with printer Charles Abel, instructing how the newspaper is made-up. **TOP PHOTO:** (l to right)—Cornell Gathings, Wilma Davis, Timmy Brown, Jo Ann Linton, Larry Randolph, Cynthia Shanklin, and Judy Scott. **BOTTOM PHOTO**—pictured: Mr. Abel (seated) and (l-r) Linton, Wood, Davis, Gathings, Shanklin, Randolph and Scott.

Communications Students Visit Sealy Newspaper Plant

The copy editing class of the man Communications department recently went on a field trip to the Sealy Newspaper Plant in Sealy, Texas. The tour of the plant was led by printer Charles Abel and each function of the machines used was explained in depth and demonstrations were given. A combination of modern, as well as antique machinery was used in Sealy, and it was learned that the workers prefer using the more simple, less complicated tools over the computerized products.

If nothing else was brought to the attention of the class, it should be the fact that there is much more involved in printing a newspaper such as the panther together. It's more than just sitting down writing articles, taking pictures, and typing. It takes a lot of hard work from those people in Sealy to make our Panther, and many other printing products what they are.

The group also met editors and officials and other staff members of The Sealy News.

Mandrill Concert

A great many people were fooled on April Fool's day by the presence of Mandrill and American 76.

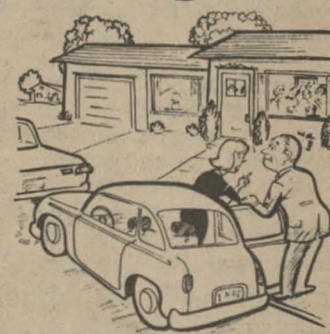
The roof of the baby dome will probably have to be repaired because Mandrill certainly blew the top off it with a dynamite performance.

About 400 students bumped and jumped to beat, and when the show was over they still wanted more. No one sat down in their seat for one moment throughout Mandrill's entire performance.

Mandrill entertained students with such tunes as "Do what you Wanna Do," "Peck Your Neck," and many others. American 76 blew to tunes like

"Reasons" and the "Theme from Swat."

My Neighbors



"Now promise me you won't bring up gas mileage."

PV Library Gets Bicentennial Materials

"Bicentennial reading, viewing, and listening," a selected list of books, films, and recordings on the fundamental issues and values of American life published for the nation's Bicentennial, is now available to be checked out from the W. R. Banks Library.

The list is designed to be used with the American Issues Forum, a nine-month discussion program for individual investigation and group discussion of the fundamental issues and values of American life.

The forum is a national program developed by the National Endowment for the Humanities and the American Revolution Bicentennial Administration.

Published by the American Library Association, the list was selected by a broadly representative committee of librarians representing all types of libraries in different geographic areas.

The list also provides an outline for discussion groups interested in following week by week the topics of the American Issues Forum. The books listed below are available from the W. R. Banks Library.

Theme: *The American Family* (April 4 - May 1)

THE TRUTH ABOUT MARY ROSE by Marilyn Sachs, illustrated by Louis Ganzman. The first Mary Rose died 30 years ago, saving people from a fire. Or did she? The second Mary Rose, haunted by her dead aunt's memory, searches for the truth.

SISTER by Eloise Greenfield, illustrated by Monesta Barnett. Alberta coems from a warm and living black family, but she's been hurt by people she loved. Now her sister Doretha fears that because she is so much like Alberta, she too may grow up unhappy.

A SPELL IS CAST by Eleanor Cameron, illustrated by Beth and Joe Krush. Visiting her uncle and grandmother in their strange old house, Cory discovers she is not part of their family and searches for answers to her past.

IT'S NOT THE END OF THE WORLD by Judy Blume. The world won't end just because Karen's parents are getting divorced. But it seems that way to Karen, who desperately wants to hold the family together.

BLACK IS BROWN IS TAN by Arnold Adoff, illustrated by Emily McCully. Mommy is black, Daddy is white, the children are every color of the human race. The warmth and joy and love of family life are expressed in free verse.

MOM, THE WOLF MAN AND ME by Norma Klein. Life with Mom seems just right to Brett, until the Wolf Man comes along. When Mom decides to get married for the first time, Brett, afraid she might become a "three-meals-a-day" mother, tries to talk her out of it.

A HERO AIN'T NOTHIN' BUT A SANDWICH by Alice Childress. Young, black, and poor, Benji isn't a junkie yet, but he's working on it. And everyone--especially his stepfather--is out to help him.

THE LIFE AND TIMES OF FREDERICK DOUGLASS adapted by Barbara Ritchie. Frederick Douglass taught himself to read and ran away from slavery when he was 21. He tells how he

became a learned and articulate man who struggled to free others from slavery.

THE SECRET LANGUAGE by Ursula Nordstrom, illustrated by Mary Chalmers. Victoria, away from home for the first time, is terribly homesick. She hates the boarding school and all its rules--until she finds a special friend.

THE SCHOOL SEGREGATION CASES by Janet Stevenson. In the early 1950s black students and parents went to court to end the separate and often inferior schooling of children. Here is the story of how the Supreme Court ruled in these cases.

THE SCOPES TRAIL by Mary Lee Settle. Are there limits to free speech? Even when it seems to be against God and the Bible? In 1925, in a celebrated trial involving William Jennings Bryan and Clarence Darrow, John T. Scopes, a Tennessee schoolteacher, was tried for teaching the doctrine of evolution.

BLACK PILGRIMAGE by Tom Feelings, illustrated by the author. This black artist's search for identity took him from the United States to Africa. He "found" himself in these striking drawings of black people on both continents.

HENRY 3 by Joseph Krumgold, illustrated by Alvin Smith. Dad had been promoted and the family had moved so often that Henry 3 never had time to make a friend, certainly not when the youngsters in each new class found his I. Q. was 154. This time, with Dad transferred to the Home Office, it was a final move--the coming true of all his family had worked and hoped for, a chance to belong.

Words of Wisdom

Just like a coin, every man has two sides, one side is the man he thinks he is and the other is the man that he really is.

The reason that some men don't believe in God is because they hate to admit that there is somebody in the world who is more important than they are.

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HONORS CONVOCATION SPEAKER—President A. I. Thomas thanks Judge Andrew Jefferson following the popular Houstonian's stirring address before students, faculty and visitors.

Entertainment Spectrum

First of all, everybody that came to the Mandrill Concert Thursday, April 1, should be commended for supporting a Student Promotes Concert. As you well know, since this semester started, there has been a problem with getting entertainment to our campus, Millie Jackson, Grover Washington, and Natalie Cole, all went down the drain, and also pulled down the credibility of the Student Entertainment Committee. It's almost to the point where no one really believes it when its said a concert is in the making.

Mandrill was, student effort, in conjunction with the Rolls Royce Club in Houston. I'm sure that everybody that attended was thoroughly pleased because the boys "jammed." What' in the past is the past, and now we have only a few weeks left in school. One last concert is scheduled by the Entertainment Committee. No decision has been made yet on who it is to be. With a little luck, we'll pull a biggy.

Ag Researcher To Judge State 4-H Club Contest

Neal Baines, research specialist on the research-teaching staff in the Department of Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology, College of Agriculture, Prairie View A&M University has been selected to be a judge of the Texas championship 4-H Club farm and ranch management contest to be held June 2nd at Texas A&M University. He will be member of a 3-man team to judge individual and group contestants. There will be two contestant representatives in each category from each of the 14 Extension districts of the State.

The contestants in the contest von the right in their respective districts to enter the State contest.

The subject-matter for the contest lies in the areas of farm-ranch business organization, economic and business analysis, planning resource allocation, profit maximization and managerial decision-making.

Maximum score is 100 points of which 30 is for subject-matter content, 25 for competency of presentation, 10 points each for introduction and for originality of material. Appearance of contestants and summary counts 5 points each.

Mr. Baines' selection attests to his professional competence and maturity. He received both the B. S. and M. S. degrees from Prairie View A&M University. His graduate degree was earned in August 1973 with the thesis on the economic analysis of pork production under a confinement feeding system. He carries out research on problems of small, limited resource farms, and teaches courses in agricultural marketing and agricultural finance. He is a native of Coldspring, Texas.

Preliminary reports from the National Safety Council indicate that 9,600 fewer persons were killed in traffic accidents in 1974 than in 1973—an average savings of 800 lives per month.



BEST ACADEMIC RECORD—PV's undergraduate chapter of Delta Sigma Theta organization with the highest academic performance by its members. captured the annual award for the student

Men's Week Activities

MONDAY, APRIL 5 1976

A DAY O TRIBUTE TO THE MEN OF PRAIRIE VIEW

10:00 p.m. — Residence Hall Activities for Men's Week

TUESDAY APRIL 6, 1976

6:30 p.m. — Educational Film Festival

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7, 1976

DRESS-UP DAY

4:30-6:00 p.m. — Men's Intramural Activities

7:00 p.m. — Men's Meeting

9:00 p.m. — Movie: "Posse" (Free) Fieldhouse

THURSDAY, APRIL 8, 1976

COURTEOUS AND CULTURE DAY

10:00 a.m. — Second Annual Men's Week Convocation Memorial Student Center Ballroom A

8:00 p.m. — Concert (Symphonic Band) Women's Gymnasium

FRIDAY, APRIL 9, 1976

5:00 p.m. — Honoring Retired Men of Prairie View A&M University — Retired Staff Persons Memorial Student Center Ballroom B

7:00 p.m. — Male Student Talent and Style Show Women's Gymnasium

9:00 p.m. — Dance Women's Gymnasium

SATURDAY, APRIL 10, 1976

2:00 p.m. — Men's Intramural Activity (Soccer Game) Blackshear Fieldhouse

9:00 p.m. — Dance Women's Gymnasium

SUNDAY, APRIL 11, 1976

11:00 a.m. — Religious Worship Memorial Student Center Ballroom

8:00 p.m. — Movie: "Killer Elite", Admission: .50c Fieldhouse

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Gilpin Players Take To The Road In "Dark Old Men"

By Roger L. Hunter

The Charles Gilpin Player's highly acclaimed production of Lonne Elder's play, "Ceremonies in Dark Old Men," recently completed a road tour that included presentations in several Texas Colleges and Universities.

Students at Texas Tech in Lubbock, Blinn College in Brenham and Texas A&M at College Station received the group's presentation enthusiastically. In Lubbock the group was cited for making a significant contribution to the Texas Tech celebration of Black History Week. Blinn College and Texas A&M also hailed the group for communicating the Black Experience in a unique and timely fashion.

The entire cast including Kenneth Parlor, Freddie Wade, III, Alonza Sargent, Robert Sexton, Cynthia Gray, Emmit Johnson, and Phillis Wallace made the trips along with James Thomas, Yolanda Williams and Sharlette Manley who served as technical assistants. John Monroe, the director of

Beta Beta Beta Sponsors Health Career Day

The Beta Beta Beta Biological Honor Society sponsored a "Health Career Day" at Prairie View A&M University on March 16, 1976. The resource person was Dr. Charles Ireland, Hospital

Director at Howard University, Washington D. C. Dr. Ireland held informal student conferences from 3:30-4:30 p.m. and presented a seminar on health careers at 7:30 p.m. He noted that allied health care teams are especially needed to diagnose, treat, and prevent human diseases. Empahsis was placed on factors considered by medical schools in the process of admitting new students. They included the undergraduate science grade point average, the undergraduate general grade point average, and the M. C. A. T. examination scores.

the production, supervised the trips.

"Ceremonies in Dark Old Men" was first produced on campus in the old Wash House Theatre in late November.

Information was also provided concerning possible sources of financial assistance for persons interested in the field of medicine and other health care areas.

Oswald Johnson
President

Prayerful Meditation

God is our refuge and strength, a very present and well-proved help in trouble.

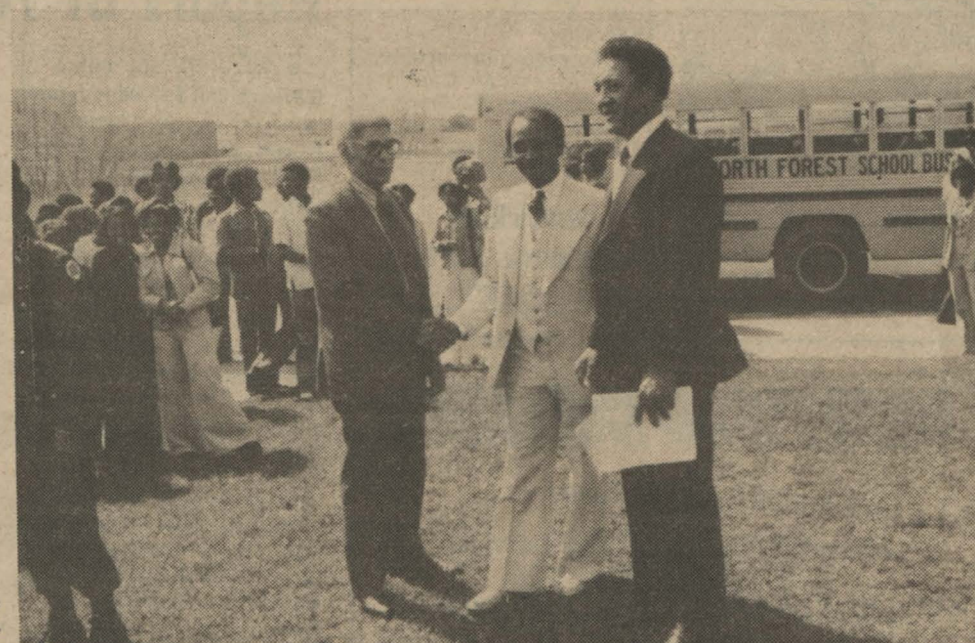
Psalm 46:1

Remember also your Creator now in the days of your youth, before the evil days come or the years draw near when you will say, I have no enjoyment in them.

Ecclesiastes 12:1

A soft answer turns away wrath; but grievous words stir up anger.

Proverbs 15:1



FORREST BROOK SENIORS VISIT students from the Houston High School who CAMPUS—Vice President George Ragland and Admissions Director George Stafford sessions were held in several departments welcomed supervisors and eight bus loads of over the Campus.



PV Speech Students Win Nine Awards

Students from Prairie View won several awards Saturday, March 27, in the sixth annual Individual Speech Events Festival at Stephen F. Austin State University in Nacogdoches. Dr. Millard F. Eiland, Speech and Debate Coach, and Assistant Professor in the English Dept., who accompanied the group, announced that the P. V. students came away from the tourney with nine awards.

Those in addition to Dr. Eiland who went to the tournament were: Albert Mitchell, Phyllis Wallace, Irma Balthazar, Gwylene Wright, Mario Gomez, Freddie Perkins, Kenneth Edmondson, Paul

Henry, and Professor Wilson A. Curtis.

Kenneth Edmondson received Superior ranking in two events: Dramatic Oral Interpretation and Poetry Oral Interpretation. He also received

the top tournament award (first place among those ranked superior) in Poetry Oral Interpretation. Other awards received were: Mario Gomez, excellent ranking in Storytelling, Freddie Perkins, merit award in Informative speaking, Gwylene Wright, merit awards in both Storytelling and Impromptu speaking, Paul Henry, Irma Balthazar, and Phyllis Wallace all received merit awards for their entries in Poetry Oral Interpretation.

The students represented P. V. well in this tournament which had students from seventeen colleges in east Texas and one college in Arkansas. The awards, including Ken Edmondson's plaque, are on temporary display in the cabinet just outside 108 Anderson Hall.

Dr. Eiland emphasized that this effort represents a new emphasis on Prairie View restoring its speech activities program, an extracurricular activity open to all students.

"How many people do you know who have been cured of cancer?"

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National Crusade
Chairman



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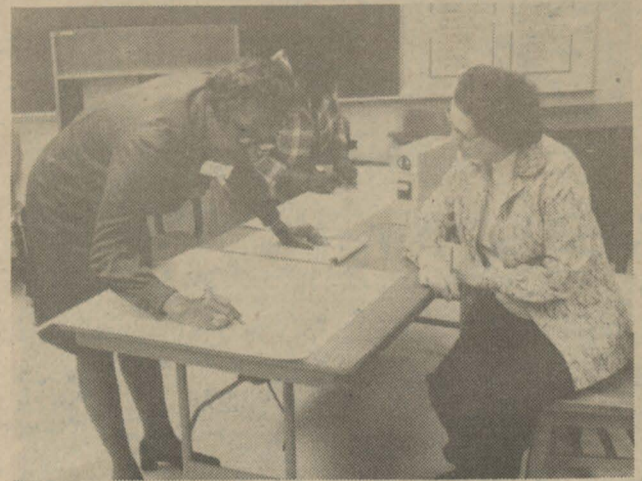
Diagnostic Descriptive Workshop Held

An IGE (Individually Guided Education) Clinical Workshop using diagnostic/prescriptive techniques was held March 8-12 and March 29-April 2, 1976 in Waller and Prairie View. The Workshop participants included teachers and supervisors from Burton ISD, Brenham ISD, North Forest ISD and Waller ISD. The Workshop was sponsored jointly by the Teacher Corps/Teacher Center Projects.

Activities of the first two days were conducted at Prairie View A&M University Teacher Center. The Workshop then moved to Holleman Elementary School in Waller Independent School District so the participants could work with students.

The purpose of the Workshop was to train the participants in a process for managing an individualized instruction program and a continuous improvement process. Team teaching was utilized and the teachers and supervisors worked in teaching teams calling Learning Communities.

Members of the "Eager Beavers" Learning Community (a name chosen to use with students) were Marilyn Mortier, Teacher Corps Team Leader from Brenham ISD, Irma Kendrick and Mary Anne Weisner, teachers from Waller ISD, and Betty Grimes, teacher from North Forest ISD. "The High Flyers" Learning Community members included Theola Woods and Lonnette Jones, teachers from Waller ISD, Madie Dotson, teacher from North Forest ISD and Rose Ray, Teacher Corps Team Leader from Burton ISD. A third Learning Community was "The Mountain Climbers" with members Louellen Pledger, Instructional Supervisor from Brenham ISD, Brenda Allen and Juliette Dwiggin, teachers from North Forest ISD, and Thelma Peil, teacher from Waller ISD.



A Learning Community in the IGE Workshop. Pictured from left to right—Mrs. Theola Woods, cooperating teacher from Waller ISD, Mrs. Lonnette Jones, cooperating teacher from Waller ISD, Mrs. Madie Dotson, cooperating teacher from North Forest ISD. Not pictured—Mrs. Rose Ray, Teacher Corps Team Leader from Burton ISD.



"Magic Circle" Training in the IGE Workshop. The Circle is being led by Workshop Coordinator, Sharon Crow, far left. Left to right—Brenda Allen, Juliette Dwiggin, Louellen Pledger, Lonnette Jones, special guest, Dr. William Parker, Director of Teacher Corps who is sitting in on the circle session, Theola Woods, Madie Dotson, Mary Anne Weisner, Betty Grimes.

The Workshop provided experiences in the following areas: being a member of a team, planning a learning program, individualizing or personalizing instruction, evaluating pupil progress, observing and providing feedback to colleagues, self-assessment, examining school programs and goals, demonstrating leadership techniques, communication and relating to others, performing in the advisor role, and planning a personal in-service program.

Coordinator for the Workshop was Sharon Crow, IGE facilitator and Teacher Corps Team Leader from Waller ISD.

This Workshop was second in a series of training Workshop sponsored by the Teacher Center/Teacher Corps Projects. The first IGE Workshop trained Teachers Corps Interns in the Cycle IX Project. These Workshops provide opportunities for both pre-service and in-service teachers to work as a team. The teaming process is vitally necessary in the individualized instruction model that is being developed in pre-service and in-service training at Prairie View A&M University through the collaborative relationships and sponsorship of the Prairie View Teachers Corps/Teacher Center Projects.

How to Save Fuel

General Motors says these maintenance services will help your car's fuel efficiency: replacement of air cleaner element, fuel filter and PCV valve; checking the choke regularly for free operation; and keeping tires inflated to the recommended pressures.

The Old Timer



"Anyone who has the time to look for a four-leaf clover needs to find one."

Report of Federal Funds Shows Steady Increase

A report by the Office of Research and Special Programs lists some 70 projects funded by federal grants since 1970-71. Prepared by Vice President Ivory Nelson, the report reveals a gradual increase in funding from over \$2½ million in 1970-71 to over \$6½ million in 1974-75.

Dated April 1, 1976, the report shows a slight decrease in total projects funding for 1975-76. The previous year the university received \$6,578,519 compared with the present figure of \$6,362,952.

Major funding has been for student financial aid programs, Title III, Developing Institutions, Agricultural Research, USDA, and Agricultural Extension.

The following is a listing of the special programs for which federal funds have been received.

Title III, Developing Institu-

- tions
- College Work Study
- Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants
- Basic Educational Opportunity Grants
- National Direct Loan
- Land Grant Funds (Morrill-Nelson)
- National Aeronautics and Space Administration
- Family Planning, PHS
- Nursing Curriculum, PHS
- Displaced Teachers, TDDS
- National Foundation Humanities
- CETA (Disadvantaged)
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- CETA Skills
- CETA
- NSF Secondary School Science Surplus Equipment
- Graduate Work Study
- Reading Development, HEW
- Institutional Science Grant, NSF
- Teacher Corp, EPDA
- Vocational Education

- Veterans Institute, Title VE
- Nursing Student Loan, PHS
- Mental Retardation, DHEW
- Vocational Education, ABE
- Minority Biomedical (NIH)
- CETA Research
- Library Development, Title III
- Disadvantaged Adults, DOEC
- Manpower Research
- Soil Sciences, AID
- Student Science Training, NSF
- Early Childhood Training, Title V
- Agricultural Research, USDA
- Cooperative Doctoral Program
- Cooperative Education
- COSIP-D-Cole
- COSIP-D-Sohel
- COSIP-D-Mills
- Undergraduate Facilities
- Performance Based Teaching, HEW
- Mini Course Institute, TERC
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- COSIP-D-Taylor
- Agricultural Extension
- ABE/GED

- Public Offenders
- CETA Various Skills Program
- CETA Rural Impact
- Academic Computing, NSF
- Allied Health, PHS
- Oyster Study, Dept. of Commerce
- Veteran Cost of Instruction
- Residence Hall-Debt Service
- Triple T Training, DHEW
- Animal Science Research, USDA
- Community Assistance, Title I
- Upward Bound, DHEW
- Student Special Services
- Pesticide Study, USDA
- Public Service Careers, Governor
- Undergraduate Equipment, Title VI
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ROTC Men Check-Out Marine Corps

During the Spring break, members of the NROTC and the AROTC were the guest of the Marine Corps Quantico, Virginia. Under the supervision

of Captain A. J. Biggers and Gunnery Sergeant Marberry, all systems were go-a brief ride to Ellington AFB a Marine Corps plane dispatched from

Washington, D. C., and it was goodbye Texas. The C117 plane climbed into the turbulent skies. For the majority of students, it was their first plane ride-a few were intimidated by the turbulence.

Upon arriving at Andrews AFB (Maryland), the Federal city's skyline brought most of the cadet and midshipmen to the windows. Forty minutes later (Southeast of Washington), all of the students were assigned rooms in the Marine Corps Basic School's Bachelor Officers' Quarter, and the unique experience continued.

The atmosphere of the Hawking's Room relieved much of the awed students' anxieties. However on Tuesday morning, as if ordered especially for the Texan's visit, it snowed. From the inside of the building, full of warmth, it was beautiful sight, but the proverbial promise of no Rose Garden was quickly epitomized. Training went on in the cold, wet, and beautiful snow-M16 (rifle), M79 (grenade launcher), M60 (machine gun) and the 81mm mortar. The students also participated in live demolition exercises.

A reception was held and two officers from Prairie View's Marine Option Program joined the festive and informative occasion.

Laying out the Red Carpet, the Prairie View students flew by way of Milwaukee to Houston, thus ending 72 hours of understanding why the Marine Corps is "Looking for a few good men/women," who don't want promises of the proverbial "Rose Garden."



Cadet Moore (left) and Midshipman Jackson (right) find a moment to laugh during a moment at Quantico.

AKA's Extend A Welcome

The Sorors of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. would like to take this time and welcome the pledges of "Alpha Angels" to the Prairie View campus.

We are very proud to have this organization on the campus. We are also glad that these young ladies have chosen the goal as we have; and that's to make "ALPHA" the best in the land.

These young ladies are pledging under the men of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. We would like to also commend our brothers (the Macking Eta Gamma) on their rare and excellent taste in women.

Some people may ask the question why do we need Alpha Angels, or Kappa Diamonds. The answer is a easy and very simple one.

The world of Greeks is large and very rapidly expanding one. These organizations are used to help promote Greekdom to the outside individuals. Therefore, they too, have a place and a function in our world.

Again, the Sorors of Alpha Kappa Alpha, Zeta Gamma Chapter, would like to say to the pledges, "Welcome to the Alpha Family."

Sorors of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.
La-Barbera Johnson, Basileus

Step, Step Alpha Kappa Alpha

On Friday the Ladies of Alpha traveled to Lamar University in Beaumont to participate in their annual Greek and Non-Greek show. There was a total of eight organizations including Groove Phi Groove Fellowship of Prairie View. There were representatives from six colleges and universities. The ladies of Prairie View were voted to have the best Sorority Show presented.

There were Deltas, Zeta's as well as other chapters of AKA competing, but, the Zeta Gamma Chapter of Prairie View took the title of numbers one as well as beautiful trophy.

Our thanks goes to Sandra Clay and Joclean Castell, our present march masters.

Kay Williams Reporter

Co-Eds Receive Scholarships

Ms. Gilda Broussard and Gwen Bellard, both members of the Zeta Gamma Chapter of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. were recipients of scholarships awarded by the graduate chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha. We would like to congratulate these ladies for having been selected and we hope that you will continue to display qualities of scholarship, leadership and finer womanhood.

Kay Williams Reporter

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Extension Service—

Playground Added In Waller County

An abandoned field in Hempstead, Texas will soon become the site for recreational activities in the Waller County area. Due to the efforts of the Community Recreation phase of the Prairie View Extension Program, land has been donated by a community leader for the purpose of giving the youth of the area (4-H, Scouts, and Community Recreation participants) an opportunity to participate in a wide variety of organized recreational activities in a safe, supervised program.

With community support, the land is being improved, and bleachers will be constructed for athletic activities. A full-scale recreational program is expected to be underway at the site by this summer. Activities will include football, soccer, volleyball, archery, basketball, track and field events, baseball, and gardening.

Environmental Projects Planned

Saturday, April 24 will be Keep America Beautiful Day 1976, the national observance to highlight continuing environmental improvement programs on the local level.

According to Roger W. Powers, president of Keep America Beautiful, Inc. (KAB), this KAB Day will be geared to one-day activities which initiate or dramatize long-range cooperative programs between citizen groups, industry and government. It is scheduled in conjunction with Earth Week, which begins April 22, and Arbor Day, scheduled on April 23 in most states.

Projects will include establishing citizen-sponsored recycling centers, planting trees, beginning environmental education programs, conducting river and lake cleanups and promoting city-wide litter-prevention programs.

A special KAB Day 1976 project guide is available from KAB, 99 Park Avenue, New York, NY 10016. The free booklet suggests ways to organize a junked car reclamation program, revitalize vacant lots, restore historic landmarks, identify open dumps and carry out other potential KAB Day undertakings.

Breakthrough Seen For Water Problem

An economical method for desalting water is expected by 1980, and should be in wide use by the year 2000, according to the third Survey of Technological Breakthroughs and Widespread Applications compiled by McGraw-Hill Publications.



Olvice Greenwood, program aide with the Community Recreation Program, helps clear off land in Hempstead to be used by the Extension Program for recreational activities in Waller County.

This Month—

In Astrology

Sign: Aries

Dates Included: March 21- April 19

Symbol: The Ram

You can often be impatient, quick tempered-and not very discreet in your judgement. You are apt to take on too many things at once, and that exhausts you and everyone around you as well. As a person born under this aggressive, military sign, you tend to be pushy and drive your car too fast. At times, you're childish and untidy as well.

You can reverse these bad traits. You must concentrate on slowing down. Take more time to make your decisions. Get involved in fewer activities, preferably one main project, that will channel your energies in just one positive direction. Otherwise, you'll end up spreading yourself too thin. Concentrate on curbing your temper and try to take a more mature outlook on life. Allow yourself more time to arrive at your destination. Then you won't drive so fast.

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Cadet Taylor seems dazed by snowy conditions at Quantico.

My Neighbors



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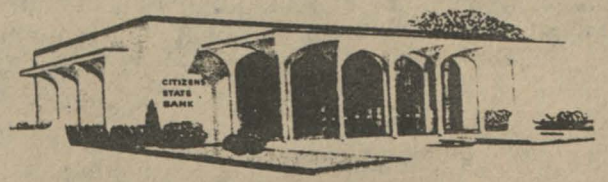
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Pantherettes Shine At Texas Relays

Breaks Own Record

Even without their great Coach Barbara Jacket, who was home ill, the Prairie View Pantherettes were untouchable at the Texas Relays last weekend as they won three of four relays and set new meet records in two.

In the sprint medley and mile relay, the Pantherettes speeded to the nation's best times for 1976. The foursome of Debra

Sapenter Bennett, Beverly Day, Arthurine Gainer and Shirley Williams, set a new meet record in the sprint medley with a 1:40.04, breaking their old record of 1:40.47, set in 1975 by Carol Cummings, Charlene Branch, Shirley Williams, and Debra Sapenter Bennett. In the mile relay, Debra, Carol, Beverly and Shirley, set a new meet record with a 3:39.47,

breaking their 1975 record of 3:40.98, by Candance Glover, Shirley Williams, Mary Ayers and Debra.

Shirley, Andrea, Bruce, Beverly and Carol, teamed to win the 440 relay by 15 yards with a 45.6 clocking. The foursome of Debra, Ayers, Gainer and Shirley, placed second in the two mile relay with a 9:10.3. It was the first time they had run this event.

Olympician hopeful Andra Bruce, won the 100 meter hurdles with a 13.7.

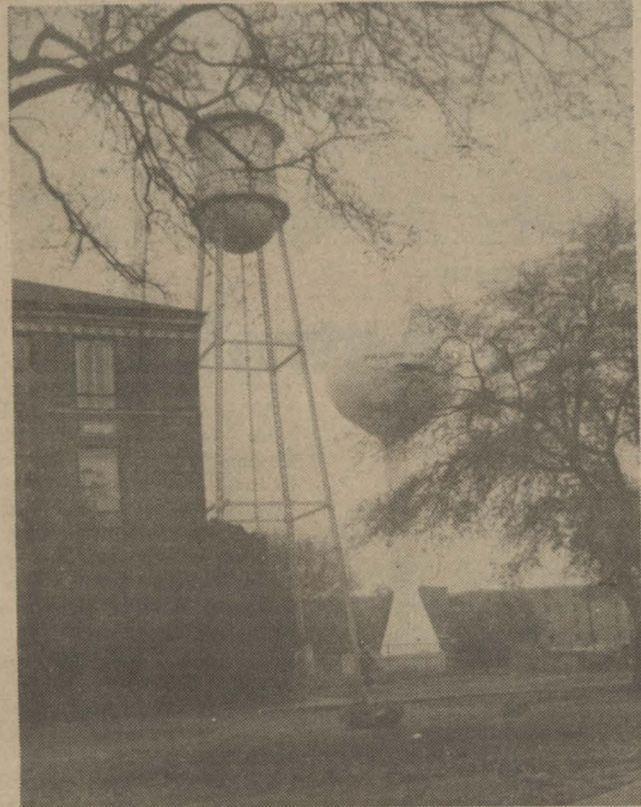


Debra Sapenter

Beverly Day

Carol Cummings

Shirley Williams



HISTORICAL MARKER REPLACED—The old water tower pictured near the Education Building is one of the oldest landmarks of the PV campus. Almost every campus-wide photo featured the Education Building clock and the tower. Now it is gone. The tower was removed last week—only a short time following the completion of the new Water Tower shown in the distance. The new facility will fill the water supply needs of the growing university community.

Panther Athletes To Be Honored

Athletes from seven Prairie View sports will be honored at the 25th annual PVU All Sports Banquet.

The banquet will be Tuesday, April 27, at 7 p.m. in Alumni Hall.

Ken Houston, the Washington Redskins All Pro defensive back will be the featured speaker.

Awards will be given to athletes in football, basketball, baseball, golf, tennis, and track.

The President's Award to the athlete with the highest academic average for four years and the Dr. Ted Hunter Memorial Award to the Athlete of the year, are the two top awards given at the banquet.

The Athlete of the Year award is voted on by each head coach of a sport.

Those faculty and staff members who wish to sponsor

Chinese Trade Rising

The Republic of China's total two-way foreign trade for 1975 will be valued at about \$15 billion, according to a report from the Yugoslav news agency, Tanjug. This would represent an increase of almost 10 per cent over 1974.

Women's Track Building A Dynasty

Faster than the sound of a speeding locomotive...can leap tall buildings in a single bounce and is more invincible than the Bionic Woman, briefly describes the Prairie View Pantherettes track team.

Pantherette Coach Barbara Jacket, has earned the same respect in track that the late Green Bay Packer Coach Vince Lombardi, earned in the football circuit.

The Prairie View Pantherettes and women track are inseparable. When you talk about women track you are talking about the Prairie View Pantherettes. When you talk about the Prairie View Pantherettes you are talking about women track.

The Pantherettes, since 1971, have built a dynasty in women track. They have won three National titles, won the first SWAC Indoor title in February and have a recorded 156 consecutive regular season meets, a triumph that may take as many years to break.

an athlete, contact Joe Booker (2810), Margaret Sherrod (3823) or George Brown (3911).

Admission to the banquet and to sponsor an athlete is \$4.50 each.

They hold every relays meet record that they have gone to. The records they are breaking now are their own.

Ms. Jacket, who has coached the Pantherettes from a one time almost obscure name in women track to the most widely publicized and national known names in the track circuit, has produced some of the world's most premier runners.

Four of Ms. Jacket's runners have run in Europe, and other parts of the world for the United States AAU team.

Debra Sapenter, Shirley Williams, Andrea Bruce and Carol Cummings, have been on international teams for the Pantherettes. All four will compete in the 1976 Olympic trials. Mary Ayers, who holds the national record in the 440

hurdles is also an Olympian prospect. Sapenter holds the world record in the 440 yard dash. Williams holds the SWAC record in the 880 yard run and recently at the PVU Relays ran the fastest 440 yard dash in the world for 1976, when she clocked a 53.6. Bruce has the second fastest time in the world in the 100 meter hurdles (13.6).

This season the Pantherettes have run the world's fastest times in the Mile relay (3:43.3), 440 Relay (45.9) and sprint Medley relay (1:42.9).

This weekend the Pantherettes will run in the Texas Relays in Austin, where they will be running to keep their five year winning streak alive. The Pantherettes own all the women records at the Texas Relays.

Family Weekend Camping Planned

The Community Recreation-Outdoor Education phase of the Prairie View A&M University Cooperative Extension Programs is sponsoring two "family weekend" camping sessions in April and May.

The free weekends will be held April 3-4 and May 29-30 at the Estelle campsite near

Huntsville, reports camp director Henry Miller.

Total family participation is encouraged as educational activities will involve all ages.

Registration may be handled through Miller or by contacting the extension program at Prairie View A&M.

Scenes From PVs Houston High School Career Festival In March

