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# FACULTY REPORTER

A Newsletter for Staff Members at Prairie View Agricultural and Mechanical College

## A. CALENDAR

1. Youth Leadership Conference . . . . . December 2
2. Presentation of Debutantes (AKA Sorority) . . . December 2
3. Religious Emphasis Week . . . . . December 3-7
4. Annual Boy Scouts Appreciation Dinner  
(Brenham, Texas) . . . . . December 6
5. Houston Grand Opera Trip for Students  
(Afternoon Matinee) . . . . . December 10
6. Christmas Oratorio--The Messiah by Handel  
Presented by the Department of Music  
(Evening) . . . . . December 10
7. Staff Meeting and Christmas Party . . . . . December 14<sup>12</sup>
8. Christmas Holidays Begin (12:30PM) . . . . . December 16
9. Community Christmas Party . . . . . December 25
10. Basketball Games--

### HERE

- Prairie View vs East Texas State . . . . . December 1  
 Prairie View vs St. Edwards . . . . . December 5  
 Prairie View vs Huston-Tillotson . . . . . December 13

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- Prairie View vs East Texas State (Commerce) . . . December 6  
 Prairie View vs Pan American (Edinburg) . . . December 11  
 Prairie View vs St. Edwards (Austin) . . . . . December 14  
 Prairie View vs Howard Payne (Brownwood) . . . December 16

## B. LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

The Annual Youth Leadership Conference will be held on Saturday, December 2 in the Memorial Center. The Theme is "Leadership--Future Unlimited." Visiting speakers for the occasion include The Reverend W. H. Wiggins, Director of Religion Life at Texas College; and Mr. Charles Moore, President, Lone Star State Association of Student Councils. Reverend W. Van Johnson is in charge.

## C. PRESENTATION OF DEBUTANTES

The Local Graduate Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority will present several college young ladies at their annual Deb. Cotillion Ball at 8:00PM on Saturday, December 2.



D. RELIGIOUS EMPHASIS WEEK

Annual observance of Religious Emphasis Week has been scheduled for December 3-7. The observance theme is "Evidences of Maturity." Several guest speakers and members of the faculty will serve on the programs planned daily from Sunday through Thursday evening.

E. BOY SCOUTS LEADERSHIP ACTIVITIES

1. Annual Financial Drive -- The Annual Boy Scout Financial Drive will be held during the month of February, 1968.
2. Annual Appreciation Dinner -- The Boy Scouts Annual Division meeting and Appreciation Dinner will be held at Willie's Steak House in Brenham on Wednesday night, December 6 at 7:30 p.m. President A. I. Thomas will be the principal speaker.

F. HOUSTON GRAND OPERA

Chartered greyhound buses will carry scores of college students on December 10 to Houston's Jesse H. Jones Hall for the performing Arts where they will attend a Matinee performance of the "Young Lord" by The Houston Grand Opera Association. The excursion, arranged by the Cultural Series Committee, will be open to all students until a limited quota is filled.

G. CHRISTMAS SEASON

1. BRIGHTEN-UP -- The Annual Christmas Brighten-Up promotion is sponsored on campus and throughout the community by the Prairie View Garden Club. Although Dr. J. M. Coruthers has retired, he is continuing his work with the Prairie View Garden Club. He and other members of the Garden Club are calling on all residents to put up Christmas decoration and displays before December 4<sup>th</sup>. This includes schools, departments, dormitories, and other public buildings, as well as homes in the community.
2. HOLIDAY PERIOD -- Christmas Holidays will begin at 12:30p.m. Saturday, December 16. Classes will resume on Tuesday, January 2, 1968. Please encourage your students to remain on campus until the holiday begins and to return promptly for their classes on Tuesday. The Holiday period for 12-month employees is December 25 through January 1.

H. BASKETBALL SEASON

Best wishes are extended to Coach Leroy Moore and members of the basketball squad as they open the 1967-68 season with East Texas State University on December 1. The team will play three non-conference games at home in the month of December.



I. FACULTY NOTES

-- The Academic Council has been organized on the campus. The Faculty Welfare Council, a part of the Academic Council, is the official agency for faculty participation in academic matters. Dr. Charles Urdy is chairman of the group which is represented by all Schools of the College.

Activities planned by The Faculty Council include--

1. Organize a program for faculty development leaves
2. Delineate and study special faculty problems
3. Hear grievances expressed by any member of the faculty and work with the Administration in solving all academic problems
4. Recommend areas of progress relative to academic freedom and tenure.

-- All Staff members are involved in some measure, in the two major Evaluation Self-Studies now in progress--The Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools and The National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE).

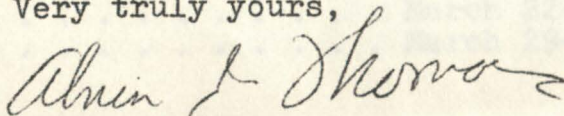
-- A Sales and Concession Committee has been appointed by the President, with Reverend W. Van Johnson as chairman. No organization or enterprise will sell on campus or the residence halls until they have expressed permission from the Sales and Concessions Committee.

-- Dr. Anne L. Campbell, Head of the Department of English, attended the annual meeting of the National Council of Teachers of English held on Warkiki Beach in Honolulu, Hawaii.

K. IN CLOSING

The regular worker's meeting for the month of December will be held on Tuesday, December 12 at 7:30 p.m. in the Ballroom, Memorial Center. The meeting will climax with a social period in keeping with the spirit of Christmas.

Very truly yours,



Alvin I. Thomas  
President