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FACULTY REPORTER

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

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CALENDAR

Early Registration for Fall Semester.....	August 1-30
Three-Week Classes End.....	August 3
Re-Enrollment-Group Insurance Plans for Faculty-Staff....	August 6-10
Baccalaureate Services.....	August 19
Commencement Exercises.....	August 23
Final Examinations.....	August 24
Summer School Closes.....	August 25

SPECIAL FALL OPENING SCHEDULE

Faculty and Staff Conference.....	August 28-31
Residence Halls Open.....	September 1
Parents Day.....	September 2
Orientation for New Students.....	September 2-3
Registration.....	September 4-5
Classes Begin.....	September 6

BACCALAUREATE SERVICES FOR GRADUATES

Baccalaureate services will be held on August 19 at 11:00 a.m. with a special sermon for graduates. The speaker for the occasion will be The Reverend C. N. Bonner, Pastor, Trinity Methodist Church, Houston, Texas.

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

Summer School Commencement Exercises will be held on Thursday evening, August 23 at 8:00 p.m. in the Health and Physical Education Building. The Commencement speaker will be Dr. William L. Smith, Acting Deputy Commissioner for Development, U. S. Office of Education, Washington, D. C.

FACULTY CONFERENCE

The Annual Faculty Orientation Conference will be held on August 28-31. A special Executive Management Program will be presented for the entire faculty by The Cooperative College Development Program staff headquartered in New York City.

SUMMER ENROLLMENT

Enrollment during the First Six Weeks Term was reported at 3036 by The Registrar, which represents the largest total for this period in College history.

STUDENT RECRUITMENT

All Schools and Departments and a special Recruitment Committee have been busy in recruiting activities during the past month. These activities are continuing and will be increased during the month of August. Several special contacts have been made with the news media in Houston and throughout the state to encourage student enrollment and to "improve the general college image."

HOUSTON ADVISORY COUNCIL

Growing out of recruitment activities, a group of Houston area citizens have organized themselves into an Advisory Council to work for support of the College. Headed by Houston Educators, Franklin Wesley and Arthur Pace, the Council has held three recent meetings in Houston and was the special guest of the College on Saturday, July 29.

The entire administrative staff of the college along with student leaders joined in welcoming and entertaining the visitors.

NEW HONOR SOCIETY

Dr. M. A. Soliman, Department of Economics, has received approval from The International Honor Society, OMICRON DELTA EPSILON to establish a Chapter at Prairie View A&M.

OFFICE MANUAL PLANNED

A Committee of staff members has been appointed to develop an official office manual for the College. Miss Lois Parsons, Associate Director, Career Planning and Placement is serving as Chairman. Miss Rosie Matlock, Secretary to the President and Mr. Glen Moye, Department of Business, will serve as Co-Chairmen.

Members of the Committee are: Mrs. Raine Bridgewater, Office, Dean, School of Arts & Sciences; Mrs. Gloria Anderson, Div. of H.&P.E.; Miss Patricia Charles, School of Engineering; Dr. Bernice Rollins, Head Dept. of Business; Mrs. Annie Muse, NROTC, Mrs. Lillian Ross, Fiscal Office; Mrs. Iredene Lewis, School of Agriculture; Mrs. Sandra Davis, Fiscal Office; and Mrs. Pauline Bonner, Assoc. Director of Development for Alumni Affairs.

RE-ENROLLMENT IN GROUP INSURANCE PLANS

A group insurance re-enrollment period has been established on Monday, August 6 - Friday, August 10 for all regular employees of The Texas A&M University System who are budgeted by name on a full-time basis.

STATE CONTRIBUTION TO INSURANCE PREMIUMS

Starting September 1, 1973, The Texas A&M University System will pay up to \$12.50 each month to the cost of your Group Insurance. The contribution can only be received by applying it to your insurance premiums.

All staff members have received detailed information from the College Fiscal Office concerning the Insurance Plans and charges. Contact the Fiscal Office if you have questions.

NEW GRANTS APPROVED

1. National Direct Student Loan Program

Official notification has been received for a grant of \$630,000 to Prairie View for operation of The National Direct Student Loan Program from July 1, 1973 through June 30, 1974 from the U. S. Office of Education, Washington, D. C.

2. Special Services Grant

The Dept. of Health, Education and Welfare has notified the President of a \$62,000 grant to fund a Special Services for Disadvantaged Student Program. Under the terms of the proposal, the College will provide enrichment experience and special services for a select group of Prairie View students. The Project Director is Mr. R. E. Carreathers, head Senior Fellow and Assistant Professor, Division of Education.

3. School of Nursing

The U. S. Public Health Service has notified the College approving a Training grant in the amount of \$5,333 to support undergraduate Psychiatric Nursing. Dr. Jewellean Mangaroo, Dean of the School of Nursing is the project Director.

4. Chemistry Research

Robert A. Welch Foundation Grant of \$32,000 for Chemistry Research activities conducted by Dr. V. M. Doctor. The project includes \$12,000 per year for three years.

National Science Foundation grant of \$24,000 for support of a study by Larry Cole, Department of Chemistry.

5. Engineering

National Science Foundation grant of \$13,000 for support of an engineering research project under the direction of M. K. Sohel, School of Engineering.

FACULTY NOTES

Dr. William Kuvlesky, Research Sociologist, has been elected Chairman of the 1974 Southwestern Sociological Association's 1974 Program Committee. Dr. Kuvlesky has a recent published article in the Spring 1973 issue of Journal of Political and Military Sociology. The title of the article is Southern Black Youths' Orientation Toward Military Service.

Dr. Flossie M. Byrd has been elected to the Council for Professional Development, Agency Member Unit, American Home Economics Association. The Council for Professional Development is the accreditation body for undergraduate programs in Home Economics.

Dr. Rose Knotts, Department of Business, has accepted a Summer Intern Fellowship with the Dallas Marketing Division of IBM Corporation working in the Training and Management Development Program Office Products. This internship is sponsored by the National Urban League.

Mr. Freddie Fraizer and Mr. Willie E. Taylor, Department of Mathematics, have both been admitted to candidacy for the doctorate degree at the University of Houston.

Dr. Marion Henry, Director of The Learning Resource Center, has been appointed to serve a three-year term on The Certification of School Media Specialists Committee of The American Library Association.

Dr. Curtis A. Wood, Director of Information and Publications, has been appointed a member of a National Task Force Committee to study a proposal to merge The American College Public Relations Association (ACPRA) and the American Alumni Council (AAC), the Major National and Regional organizations concerned with communications for the advancement of higher education.

Mr. J.C. Williams, Dean, School of Agriculture, has been appointed to The Southern Regional Beef Cattle Task Force Research Committee, Agricultural Research Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Mr. Oliver E. Smith, School of Agriculture, participated in a Symposium on Ecology and Agricultural Production held at the University of Tennessee Agricultural campus in July. The Symposium was sponsored by The University of Tennessee and the Southern Regional Education Board.

Lt. (jg) Lee E. Henderson is concluding five years of Naval service which includes two years as Assistant NROTC Professor at the College. A native of Prairie View Community, Mr. Henderson is a PV graduate, is married and has two sons.

RESEARCH DIRECTORS APPOINTED

The following persons have received appointments as Directors of Research in the designated schools of the College:

- Dr. Jewel Berry, Director of Research in The Department of Biology
- Dr. Harold S. Bonner, Director of Research and Special Programs for the School of Industrial Education and Technology.
- Dr. Dymple Cooksey, Director of Research for The School of Home Economics.

COMMENCEMENT COMMITTEE

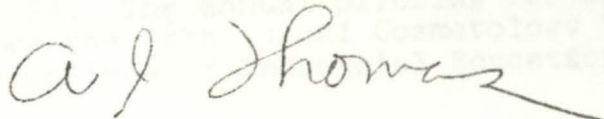
The Commencement Committee includes Dr. E. W. Martin, General Chairman, Steering Committee; Dr. Marion Henry, Chairman; Mr. C. T. Edwards, Co-Chairman; Dr. J. L. Brown, Chairman Emeritus. Committee members are Mr. W. J. Bell; Mr. R. E. Carreathers; Mr. R. V. Cole; Mrs. Marie Cromwell; Mr. L. W. Engram; Mrs. R. L. B. Evans; Dr. Robert Henry; Mr. Alvin Hopkins; Mrs. Delia M. Hunt; Mr. W. Van Johnson; Mr. A. E. LeBeaux; Mr. Leroy Marion; Mr. Samuel Montgomery; Mr. Carl Moore; Mr. Willie Taylor; Mr. Harold Perkin; Mr. Junious Robinson; Mr. Oliver Smith; Dr. C. A. Wood; Mrs. Gladdie Plowde Fowler; Miss Iantha LeBlanc; Mr. Talvin Poole; Mrs. Anna G. James; Mr. Clifton Martin; Miss Vanessa Galloway; Miss Melody Walton; Mr. Alonzo Lester; and Mr. John Lewis.

THE YEAR'S END

The 1972-73 School Year will soon come to a close. We have enjoyed a very successful year in many respects and the future looks promising. I would like to take this opportunity to express to all members of the staff my appreciation for your contribution (individually and collectively) to the success of our total program.

BEST WISHES, and we look forward to the year ahead.

Very truly yours,



Alvin I. Thomas,
President