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FACULTY REPORTER

A Newsletter for Staff Members at Prairie View A&M University

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COSMETOLOGY INSTITUTE

The Twenty-third Annual Cosmetology Institute is being held on campus from June 11 through June 28. The annual offering for Beauticians and cosmetologists follows the 18th Annual Cosmetology Trade Show. Both are sponsored by the College of Industrial Education and Technology.

In addition, a cosmetology Instructors Workshop is scheduled to conclude the three weeks program.

INTERNATIONAL HISTORY HONOR SOCIETY

Initiation ceremonies were held in May for Phi Alpha Theta, International Honor Society in History. The initiation banquet was held in the Newman Center and a reception followed at the residence of Dr. G.R. Woolfolk. Dr. Ben Proctor, Professor of History at Texas Christian University and a member of the Advisory Board of Phi Alpha Theta was in charge of the initiation.

1974-75 BUDGET APPROVED

The Board of Directors of the Texas A&M University System has authorized a \$16,773,698 operating budget for PVA&M for fiscal year 1974-75. FACULTY REPORTER June, 1974 Page 2

COOPERATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAM

The University is currently promoting a unique educational plan which integrates classroom experience and practical work experience in industrial, business, government, or service-type work situations. Started several years ago for mostly engineering and business students, the current goal is a minimum of 300 students participating in internships in any field offered at the university. Directed by Mr. James Robinson, the project is a part of the University's Division of Career Education and Placement.

COLLEGE TEACHERS SALARIES

The Texas Association of College Teachers has appealed to Governor Dolph Briscoe to call a special session of the Texas Legislature in order to make a supplementary appropriation for faculty salaries for the year 1974-75. The Association is recommending at least an additional 10 percent increase over current planned increases.

HOUSTON CAREER CARNIVAL

Approximately 300 Houston area high school seniors signed prospective student cards to attend the University during the College Career Carnival held in May at the Holiday Inn on South Main in Houston. Sponsored in cooperation with the Prairie View Advisory Council of the Greater Houston Area, the Career Carnival was held to provide an opportunity for prospective students to discuss future educational plans with university personnel.

SPECIAL SUMMER PROGRAMS

Several special summer programs are in progress, including Work-Study Project Pride, Engineering Institute, Science Institute, Experiment in Living, and Upward Bound. A summary of activities of these programs will be included in the July Issue of THE FACULTY REPORTER.

FACULTY-STAFF NOTES

Dr. A.I. Thomas served recently as the principal speaker at a Banquet for National leaders in The Teacher Corps Program held at the Washington-Hilton Hotel.

Dr. Charles E. Tatum, Chairman of the Department of Economics and Geography, was named a Piper Professor of 1974. A graduate of the University and a staff member since 1953, Dr. Tatum received a certificate and an honorarium in the amount of \$1,000. FACULTY REPORTER June, 1974 Page 3

FACULTY STAFF NOTES (Cont'd)

Mr. Bill Orman has been elected recently to the Executive Committee of the Texas Association of Professors of Teacher Education.

Dr. George R. Woolfolk was recently re-appointed Chairman of the Carroll Award Committee of the Texas State Historical Association.

<u>Dr. Don Knotts</u>, Head of the Agricultural Education Department published an article in the April issue of Agricultural Education magazine entitled "Content Priorities for Farm Mechanics." This research project surveyed young farmers in Texas to determine what skills and knowledge are deemed most important to be integrated into the farm mechanics curriculum.

Dr. M.S. Sohel, Assistant Professor of Electrical Engineering presented a paper to The American Society of Engineering Education, entitled "Performance-Based Teaching Technique in Electrical Engineering Courses."

The Reverend W. Van Johnson served recently as a speaker at a workshop on Continuing Education for Black Clergy in Columbus, Indiana.

CONGRATULATIONS:

--To PV Womens Track Team and Coach Barbara Jacket on winning the team championship at the Women's National Collegiate Track and Field Meet held in Denton, Texas in May.

THANKS AND BEST WISHES

Special thanks are extended to all members of the faculty and staff who contributed in the many school closing activities held early in May. Appreciation is also expressed for the interest shown by all staff members in the special workshops held later in May.

May I wish for all of you a very pleasant and profitable summer.

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Alvin I. Thomas PRESIDENT

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