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Miss PV Pageant Interest High

The 1981 Miss Prairie View A&M University Scholarship Pageant has been slated for Thursday, April 23 in the University Fieldhouse.

According to sources around campus, a great deal of interest is being exposed concerning the Pageant which is the 12th anniversary of university affiliation with the Miss Texas Scholarship Pageant Franchise.

Full Television coverage of the event is expected to be provided again by KPRC-TV Channel 2-Houston. Several young ladies have been selected as contestants. Their names are being withheld until the complete list is available in the April 16 issue of the Panther.

President A. I. Thomas announced that the Executive Committee for the Pageant includes Mrs. R. L. B. Evans, Dr. C. T. Edwards, Jr., and Frederick Roberts.

The Steering Committee includes chairmen of various sub-committees. Rev. W. Van Johnson is Steering Committee Chairman, Co-chairmen include Mrs. R. L. B. Evans, Carolyn Miller, Pamela Shields, Walter Swindell, Margaret Sherrod, Curtis A. Wood, Arlie LeBeaux, Frederick Roberts and Frank Francis.

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PV Seeks "Special Purpose" Mission

Prairie View A&M University was authorized Tuesday to seek legislative designation as a "special purpose university," giving it additional missions of assisting students needing extra help and working with small and medium size businesses and communities.

The Texas A&M University

System Board of Regents endorsed the "special purpose" concept for the predominately black school after Dr. A. I. Thomas, the university's president, explained the purpose of the proposal and the needs that could be served.

"In addition to its basic role

as an institution of higher education, Prairie View A&M University serves a special purpose role in assisting a distinct clientele and in developing a research capability and providing public service programs for this clientele," Dr. Thomas noted. "This special purpose requires a clear legal designation for federal, state and philanthropic purposes."

If the Legislature concurs, the Texas Education Code will be amended to include the following statement of purpose for Prairie View A&M: "In addition to its designation and its designation as a land-grant institution, Prairie View A&M University is designated as a statewide special purpose institution of higher education for instruction research and public service programs which are dedicated to: (1) enabling students with latent aptitudes, talents and abilities and of diverse economic, ethnic and cultural backgrounds to realize their full potential; (2) assisting small and medium sized communities to achieve their

optimal growth and development; and (3) assisting small and medium sized agricultural, business and industrial enterprises to effectively manage their growth and development."

The regents also approved a revised academic organization for Prairie View, as amended by the Coordinating Board, Texas College and University System. The regents had approved an earlier version of the plan to streamline operations by merging certain departments while giving other programs their own identity, as recommended by Dr. Thomas.

AIR CONDITIONING FOR RESIDENCE HALL
In other business affecting Prairie View A&M, the regents awarded a \$1,114,598 contract to J. K. Richardson Co. of Georgetown to air-condition Alexander, Buchanan, Suarez-Collins and L. O. Evans Halls. Additionally, the regents appropriated \$30,000 for accessories for the university's new all-weather track.

Board of Regents Chairman

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UNIVERSITY GIFT — Placement Director Brutus Jackson (left) and Engineering Dean A. E. Greaux accept check from R. W. Carter, Representative of Armco Steel Company of Houston.

Teacher Job Fair Wednesday

Approximately 60 school systems from across the state and nation are expected to participate in the second annual Education Job Fair scheduled for Wednesday, April 8.

The event will begin at 9:00 a.m. with registration in Alumni Hall. The Division of Career Education and Placement is in charge of arrangements.

The entire day will be spent conducting one-on-one interviews with all certified teacher education graduates of Prairie View A&M University. All certified teacher graduates, recent or alumni, are encouraged to attend the Education Job Fair.

Panther Newspaper Wins National Award

The PANTHER, Prairie View A&M campus newspaper, has been awarded a special achievement plaque by the 30th Southern Regional Press Institute in the annual competition sponsored by Savannah State College in Georgia.

Scoring 98 points out of a possible 100, the PANTHER won second place in the university category which included institutions throughout the southern region. First place went to Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Daytona Beach, Florida.

The PANTHER received bonus points for what was described as "an excellent campus newspaper — interesting format." Regular evaluations were made on content, writing and editing, layout, photography, and advertising. The PV campus paper is supervised by Dr. C. A. Wood and is used as a laboratory for students in journalism and communications. Regular staff contributors include Gloria Perez, Vanessa Jackson, Henry Hawkins, Jack Weeks, Tom Godwin and Paris Kincade.



TOURING CAMPUS — President A. I. Thomas discusses physical needs at PV during campus tour with Governor and state officials.

National Alpha Mu Gamma

Foreign Language Group Holding Convention at PV

The National Convention of Alpha Mu Gamma, the collegiate Foreign Language Honor Society is being held on the Prairie View A&M campus Thursday and Friday, April 2-3. The convention and Spring initiation are sponsored by the Department of Modern Foreign Languages. It is the fiftieth anniversary meeting of the society.

Representatives of colleges and universities across the south are attending the two-day meeting which features sessions on campus and in Houston. Thursday's program included general ses-

sions, initiation ceremonies, a luncheon and banquet. A reception was held at 4:00 p.m. in The President's campus house.

The group departs for Houston at 1:30 p.m. Friday where they will tour five college campuses, The Medical Center Complex and the Astrodome Complex.

Mrs. Mamie McCloud is in charge of the convention, and she is assisted by Ms. Olivette Higgs, department chairman and other department members and personnel in the office of Academic Affairs.

Symphonic Band Plans Spring Concert April 9

The Prairie View A&M University Symphonic Band will perform its annual Spring

Concert on Thursday evening, April 9th at 8:00 p.m. in the Recital Hall of the Hobart Taylor Building. The public is cordially invited to attend the performance.

The Symphonic Band will perform musical compositions by such composers as Francois Joseph Gossec, Ronald Lo Presti, Clifton Williams, and Frank Bencriscutto. Gerry Demars, a graduate student in music, will be the featured soloist with the Symphonic Band. He will perform the trombone solo, "Reflective Mood" by Sammy Nestico.

The Symphonic Band, directed by Dr. Lucius R. Wyatt, recently presented successful concerts in Brookshire at the Royal High School and in San Antonio at the Carver Community Cultural Center.



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Pantherland '81 Photos Now Being Taken

Campus organizations and various student groups are currently scheduling individual and group photographs for the 1981 yearbook, Pantherland.

Deadline is April 15. Register with the Publications office NOW.



Help in parenting, H. I. P. will be the topic that 17 program aides will be discussing in eight counties surrounding the university. Shown is Family Life Specialist, Diane Welch, Texas Agricultural Extension Service, as she conducts phase I of the training in Family Life Education.

The Prairie View A&M University Cooperative Extension Program, Family Resource Development Phase presented Phase I of a five part

Mission

CONTINUED from Page 1 H. R. Bright appointed a committee to recommend a format for possible future study of The Texas A&M University System's organizational structure and reporting relationships.

in-service training session, February 26, 1981. Seventeen para-professionals received in-service training in the subject matter area of Family Stability at Extension Headquarters.

The purpose of the training was to effectively involve the para-professionals in presenting information pertinent to the needs of low-income families. Program Specialist Elaine A. Ward coordinated the session which featured Mrs. Diane Welch and Dr. Betty Jo Smith, Family Life Education specialist from

Texas Agriculture Extension Service. Highlights of the training included, Parent/Child Communications, Skills in Helping and Working with Children and Helping Children Learn with toys, games and puppets.

The Cooperative Extension Program of Prairie View A&M University offers educational programs to people of all ages regardless to socio-economic level, race, color, sex, religion or national origin. by Elaine A. Ward

Career Carnival Set

The Annual University Career Carnival is scheduled on campus Saturday, April 25. A large number of high school seniors and juniors are expected to participate in the events planned by the Office of Admissions. Information will be available on financial aid, educational grants, scholarships and work-study positions.

A special feature of the day is a Talent Contest to select "Mr. Success" and "Miss Success." Criteria for entering the talent contest include scholarship, leadership ability and school factors such as Texas resident, junior or senior classification and high school grades.

The theme of Carnival '81 is "Today's Students - Tomorrow's Leaders." Prospective students will be able to complete admission procedures, including interview, during the day. Special Summer Scholarship Institutes planned for the 1981 Summer Session include - Pre-Medical, Pre-Dentistry, Engineering Concepts, Experiment in Living, Chemistry and Mathematics Concepts.

AKA News

Greeting from the sorors of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc. We would like to extend our congratulations to all students that succeeded in making the Honor Roll for the first semester, Fall 1980-81. We hope that you continue to do as well and better this spring semester. We would also like to encourage all other students to reach this goal also.

Our special congratulations go to the sorors of Alpha Kappa Alpha who succeeded in making the Honor Roll. These sorors are: Summa Cum Laude, Cynthia Moore. Magna Cum Laude: Sorors Diana Carden, Romona Davis, Iberia Fryer, Earntha Moore, Doretha Williams. Cum Laude: Carrie Dukes, Vanessa Hardaway, Rachelle Hilliard, Marilyn Morris, Velva Sauls, Celitha Swanson, and Nikki Torian.

Congratulations are also bestowed on those sorors who became members of the Beta Kappa Chi Honor Society, Sorors Carrie Dukes, Velva Sauls and Theresa Clarke.

Alpha Kappa Alpha will also be holding a Community Easter Egg Hunt for the children of the community on Sunday, April 12, 1981 at 3:00 p.m. at the Newman Center. If you know any small children who would like to participate please be sure to bring them out. There will be plenty of easter eggs and prizes given away.

We would also like to wish everybody a safe and happy Easter Break. Jenny

Montgomery Heads National Association of College Officers

Samuel Montgomery, Assistant Registrar at Prairie View A&M, has been elevated to President of the National Association of College Deans, Registrars and Admissions Officers.

The Prairie View officer served as first vice president of the Association until the group's 55th Annual Meeting held on March 8-11 at the Hilton Inn in Greensboro, N. C. when he moved up automatically to the top position. He will serve throughout the 1981-82 term along with five other new officers.

B. L. Gore, academic dean at Claffin College in South Carolina became first vice president. Ollie Bowman, dean of Admissions, Hampton Institute is secretary, Vernese B. O' Neal, Dillard, New Orleans, assistant secretary, and Cass Teague, Tennessee State Treasurer. Executive Secretary for the Association is Helen Mayes, Emeritus director of Admissions and



Samuel Montgomery

Records, Albany State College.

The Association's annual meeting theme was - Historically Black Colleges: Priorities for the 80's.

Mr. Montgomery has served in administrative capacities at Prairie View A&M since 1955 after competing studies at the university.

Forensics Team Scores Well in 1980-81 Tournaments

The University Forensics team, headed by Dr. Millard F. Eiland, competed in regular season tournaments in 1980-81. The two final tournaments were held at Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas and the Barbara Jordan Tournament at Texas Southern in Houston.

Prairie View won the 3rd place award in Huntsville with Michael Colbert and Brian Williams in Duo-Dramatic Oral Interpretation.

Several awards were won by Prairie View in the TSU meet including the 2nd place team award.

Individual winners were as follows: 1st place in Prose interp., Curtis Stansberry, 1st place in Dramatic Interp., Curtis Stansberry; 1st place in Story telling, Brian Williams;

1st place in Poetry Interp., M. Jackie Gibbs.

2nd place in Dramatic Interp., Brian Williams; 3rd place in Prose Interp., Brian Williams.

Finalist medal in Dramatic Interp., Raymond Greer; Finalist medal in Prose Interp., Raymond Greer; Finalist medal in Story Telling/Prose, M. Jackie Gibbs; and Finalist Medal in Oratory, Clayton Everett.

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First Female Enrolled in Auto Technology Program

Valeria Nickerson, a Prairie View A&M University Freshman from Tallulah Louisiana, enrolled in the Automotive Technology Program which she selected as her major area of study. Miss Nickerson is the first female to select this program as a major area of concentration. Prior to enrolling at Prairie View, she studied at Los Angeles Harbor College for one year and has a considerable amount of experience in testing, diagnosing and servicing modern U.S. Automobiles.



Valeria Nickerson Making History

During the fall semester of the 1980-81 school year, Nickerson performed with a high degree of proficiency in her major area of concentration and earned a 3.05 accumulative grade point average. She was elected Queen of the College of Industrial Education and Technology in October and represented the college in the P.V.U. Home Coming Parade by riding on the I.E.T. Float, which won first place in the

organization built float category. Nickerson's escort was Allen Glaspie who was elected King of the College of Industrial Educational Technology. Glaspie is also majoring in Automotive Technology and comes from Merryville, Louisiana. Upon graduation, Nickerson plans to seek employment with

News Events in Theatre

By: Sandra Lovelady "What is the best performing group on campus?" This question is never asked because everyone knows that the Charles Gilpin Players are at the top of the list. They never cease to prove this to even the worst skeptics. As always action speaks louder than words and the players will again be in action soon.

The second major spring production is underway. Under the direction of Dr. Ted Shine the Drama Department will present "Pelleas and Melisande," a tragic love story of love, jealousy and hatred by Maurice Maeterlink. The performance dates are April 27, 28, 29, 30 and May 1 in the Little Theatre at Hobart Taylor.

With a cast of 13 the show will prove to be another success to add to the departments long record.

Holidays are never allowed to pass without being recognized by the Players. In keeping with this tradition and dedication Mr. C. Lee Turner will be directing two shows for Easter. One, a dramatization of the crucifixion by James Weldon Johnson entitled "The Crucifixion" and an original play by Mr. Turner, "Cast Your Vote for Jesus!" The shows will be presented on campus for the Prairie View family, May 14 and May 15 at 3:30 p.m. in the Little Theatre.

Come out and see for yourself why the Charles Gilpin Players are the most exciting group on campus.

Deltas to Lead Mental Health Fund Drive

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, with Ms. Rachel Poindexter as Drive Chairman, will lead Bellringer workers in a house-to-house Prairie View drive during May, Mental Health Month.

Mrs. Poindexter and other Deltas will be calling on others in the community to assist with the organization and working of the drive. All citizens are called upon to aid in this drive to benefit the fight against mental illness and the improved care for the mentally ill.

"Proceeds will benefit the Mental Health Association in Texas" said Al St. Peter, state President of the voluntary citizens' association.

As a non-governmental agency, the association can and does speak for the consumer - the person who needs professional help for an emotional disturbance.

The number one goal of the association for 1981 is to improve the care for discharged long term mentally disabled persons. The association is promoting self-help

groups for families of patients and for former mental health clients.

"The association is a moving force to get services established where there are none. It also serves as a monitoring agency to see that treatment services are doing what they were set up to do," said President St. Peter.

The Mental Health Association strongly promotes more community-based care as well as more research into the causes of mental illness.

Seeking to prevent mental health problems through education, the association, in cooperation with the Governor's Office of Volunteer Services, sends out the newsletter series "Pierre the Pelican" to first-time parents in the state.

Additionally, the association offers literature to the public on a variety of topics including depression, alcoholism, and positive mental health concepts. For free information, write to the Mental Health Association in Texas, 103 Lantern Lane, Austin, Texas, 78731, (512-459-6584).

Chancellor Hubert Appointed to UT Centennial Panel

Dr. Frank W. R. Hubert, chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, has been appointed to The University of Texas at Austin Centennial Commission, which will make an assessment of the institution during the 1981-83 period making its first 100 years.

Appointments to the 176-member commission were made by The University of Texas System Board of Regents. Board Chairman James L. Powell called the commission "a group of outstanding individuals representing a cross-section of citizens of Texas and the university's alumni who have distinguished themselves in their business and professional lives and who have demonstrated a continuing interest in the university."

Century II Book Review Continued

Dr. Purvis M. Carter reviewed the book "The Man in the Street: The Impact of American Public Opinion on Foreign Policy" by Thomas A. Bailey on Wednesday March 25 in the President's Campus residence.

major U.S. industrial corporations. Some of the positions which she is currently considering include: Factory District Sales and Service Manager; Factory Product Quality Assurance Analyst; Coordinator of Production Control; Production Supervisor, etc. The annual starting salary for these and other related positions is \$18,000.00 to \$22,000.00.



ACID RAIN STUDY - Engineering Research Center project is shown during experiment concerning Acid Rain. Acting Director S. R. Darwalla is pictured in action with other engineering staff members.

Miss PV Pageant

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Other Steering Committee members and committees they chair include: Mrs. Junell Baker, Pageant Fund Raising Committee; Mr. Steve Wanza, Budget and Fiscal Control; Mrs. Pauline Bonner, Publicity Committee (Local Printing); Mr. Henry C. Hawkins, Publicity Committee, External Printing; Dr. Curtis A. Wood, External Electronics; Rev. W. Van Johnson, Recognition and Awards; Mr. R. E. Carrethers, Miss Texas Liaison; Mrs. R. L. B. Evans, Entry; Miss Bernice Smith, Contestants Personal Development; Mr. George Edwards, Talent Development; Mr. Frederick V. Roberts, Pageant Production Committee; Mr. George Edwards, Music; Dr. C. A. Wood, Judges Committee;

Mrs. R. L. B. Evans, Souvenir Program Booklet Design and Develop Committee; Mr. Joseph Mack, Stage Design; Mr. A. E. LeBeaux, Stage Construction Committee; Miss Betty Hall, High School Queens; Mrs. Margaret Sherrod, Southwestern Athletic Conference; Dr. Burnis Johnson, Contestants Pre-Pageant Experiences and Receptions; Mr. A. E. LeBeaux, Transportation; Mrs. Ernestine Outley, Reception; Dr. C. A. Wood, Photography; Mrs. Cathy Harris, High School Participation; Mr. James Harris, Historical; Mr. Robert Harris, Local Internal Communications; Mr. Hoover Carden, Community Youth Participation; Mrs. Pauline Bonner, Alumni Support and Participation; Mrs. Delia Hunt, Parents Committee.

Atlanta Memorial Services Held

The Office of Student Activities and the Prairie View Par Hellenic Council sponsored a Memorial Service for the 20 slain Atlanta children on Sunday, March 29, in the Memorial Student Center Ballroom.

Following the service the group traveled to the Abner Davis Foundation and placed a wreath to memorialize the children.

Tally Art Exhibited At Texas A&M

An exhibition of paintings by Clarence Talley is being shown at Texas A&M University's Architecture Center in the College of Architecture and Environmental Design Gallery through April 3 at College Station.

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Kevin Carr: Student Artist

by Clarence Talley
Kevin Carr is a southside Chicago, Illinois graduate of Martin Luther King High School. Born June 12, 1961, his artistic seed was sown. Kevin's early interest in art started with his prize winning performance in day camp. Kevin recalled "The day camp director would give us little prizes for the best art projects. It was not so much the prizes, I just like making the art projects!"

Kevin recognized his ability and continued to express himself for no other reason than pure enjoyment. This ability seems to be innate and deeply rooted. Kevin credits his mother and grandmother for their kind words of encouragement. And on the advice of his grandmother he enrolled in a Saturday drawing class at the Art Institute of Chicago. The experience was considered short lived and not very fulfilling. Kevin recalled having to work with crayons and could not get positive results. He felt the pencil was his tool. "I do my best work in pencil and drawing with crayons was hard to get too!"

While in grammar school his interest in art continued. He nurtured his gift by producing works for his friends and teachers. They recognized Kevin's potential and he was awarded the most Outstanding Art Student which was presented at the grammar school graduation ceremonies. Kevin carried this award winning dedication into Senior High School. There he performed admirably and his art teacher recognized his extraordinary talent and recommended that he take two extra years of studio art. Unlike his peers who were only required to take one year of music and art.

Kevin's recognition as a dedicated art student continued to gain him small jobs. He painted signs and poster for the Parent Teachers Association. He once painted the school mascot for a group participating in homecoming festivities. The mascot helped them win first place in the competition.

With all these fine accomplishments, Kevin was then faced with deciding what college to attend. He sought the advice of his baseball coach. His coach advised him to talk with W. W. Jackson, an active recruiter for Prairie View in the Chicago area. Kevin recalled "Jackson asked me what I wanted to major in. I told him commercial art and I also wanted to play baseball. Jackson replied, Baseball! You've got to be good to keep See CARR, Page 5

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Friends for Some Good Advice

Mr. Gillum thinks that you should know . . . "that in order to have a successful career after graduation an individual should strive to be a good student in his/her area of specialization while in school. Because most students have had little work experience, the transcript does make a difference.

Communication skills are of paramount importance, especially in the business world. Every student should learn to communicate effectively. Build a massive vocabulary, because most people who succeed are those who have extraordinary communication skills. The time and effort spent developing these skills generally pays off in large dividends!"

"In the low income area of Houston, Texas, where I was reared, good communication skills were unheard of. Most black youth developed to so called "Soul Language," which may be referred to today as "Black English." After receiving an undergraduate degree, I thought that I was ready to go places in the corporate structure. My skills were as good as my co-workers technically, and soon my skills proved that they were better than most, because I was given complicated tasks. I noticed, however, that the people who were chosen to make presentations were less technically competent than I. I had to explain details to them for successful presentations. One of my co-workers was promoted to supervisor on what was believed to be my efforts. I asked my supervisor, why are other people being placed in the lime-light by presenting my work? If I am

Mr. Langston Gillum is an Equal Opportunity Co-ordinator and College Relations Representative for Northrop Corporation in Houston, Texas. His present activities include co-ordinating equal employment opportunities and recruiting new college graduates in the Southwest area which covers Oklahoma, Texas, New Mexico, Arkansas and Louisiana. Mr. Gillum has also worked as an Industrial Relations Manager and as an Engineering Writer. He is a PV graduate and works Part-time in the College of Business as an Instructor of Business.



Gillum

"Build a massive vocabulary . . . Most People who succeed have an extraordinary communication skills . . ."

capable of producing the work, why can't I present it? I was told, my poor command of the English language would put the company in an embarrassing position! This was a serious blow to my pride, and I stopped talking "soul talk," and started developing business communication skills. When it was obvious my speech was improving, I made my own presentations and started moving up in the company and my career is still climbing. It would be difficult for anyone to estimate how far a person can move up with good communication skills!"

Best Sellers From New York Times-March 22

- FICTION:**
- The Covenant*, by James A. Michener. (Random House, \$17.95.) Fifteen thousand years of South African history.
 - Brain*, by Robin Cook. (Putnam's, \$11.95.) A young physician copes with a conspiracy of medical researchers who steal young women's brains to create an artificial intelligence.
 - Masquerade*, by Kit Williams. (Schocken Books, \$9.95.) A fantastic tale about the Sun, the Moon and a lost treasure.
 - Answer As A Man*, by Taylor Caldwell. (Putnam's, \$12.95.) A man who has made it big in early 20th-century America struggles against the corruption that engulfs his life.
 - Century*, by Fred Mustard Stewart. (Morrow, \$13.95.) Saga of an Italian-American family.
 - The Key To Rebecca*, by Ken Follett. (Morrow, \$12.95.) German espionage in Cairo during the desert campaigns of 1942.
 - Come Pour The Wine*, by Cynthia Freeman. (Arbor House, \$12.95.) A woman's long journey to self-discovery.
 - Firestarter*, by Stephen King. (Viking, \$13.95.) Eight-year-old Charlie can look at anything and turn it into flames.
 - Rage of Angels*, by Sidney Sheldon. (Morrow, \$12.95.) An idealistic young woman lawyer triumphs over two vengeful men.
 - Congo*, by Michael Crichton. (Knopf, \$10.95.) Three intrepid Americans search for lost diamonds in the jungles of modern Africa.

- NONFICTION:**
- Cosmos*, by Carl Sagan. (Random House, \$19.95.) Thirteen billion years of the universe's evolution explained by the NASA medal-winning space scientist.
 - Never-Say-Diet Book*, by Richard Simmons. (Warner, \$14.95.) Regimen for exercise, diet and lifestyle.
 - The Last Mafioso*, by Ovid Demaris. (Times Books, \$15.) The story of Jimmy Fratianno, professional hit man who turned government witness.
 - Nice Girls Do*, by Irene Kassoria. (Stratford Press, \$9.95.) "How women may solve their own sexual problems!"
 - Betty Crocker's International Cook-Book*. (Random House, \$13.95.) A completely new collection of recipes under a long-established name.
 - Best Evidence*, by David S. Lifton. (Macmillan, \$16.95.) An account of the author's effort to prove that JFK's death was part of a plot by highlevel government conspirators.
 - Crisis Investing*, by Douglas R. Casey. (Stratford Press,

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Retired Dean Honored

Dr. Thomas P. Dooley, a retired professional biologist and former dean of Arts and Sciences at Prairie View A&M University, recently received special recognition for being accepted for Emeritus Membership in the National Association of College Deans, Registrars and Admissions Officers.



The action was taken during the Association's Annual Meeting March 8-11 in Greensboro, N. C. He joined the biology staff at Prairie View in 1934 and later became head of the department, division director and dean of the school from 1949-1967.

- \$12.50.) "Opportunities for investing in the coming Great Depression!"
- The Sky's The Limit*, by Wayne Dyer. (Simon and Schuster, \$10.95.) Prescription for "achieving perfection of body and mind!"
- Graig Claiborne's Gourmet Diet*, by Craig Claiborne with Pierre Franey. (Times Books, \$10.95.) Recipes for eating well, losing weight and maintaining good health.
- You Can Negotiate Anything*, by Herb Cohen. (Lyle Stuart, \$12.) "How to get an edge on life." "Best Sellers!" New York Times, March 22, 1981, p. 32.

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Thought for Today Carr —

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Do not walk behind me I may not lead
Just walk beside me and be my friend.

Marita Roberts

It's always easy to see both sides of an issue we are not particularly concerned about.

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View — they are big and fast. But if you want to major in art, Prairie View has a good art department and is a very good university.

On the advice of W. W. Jackson, Kevin's journey to Prairie View began. A journey that many have taken. He

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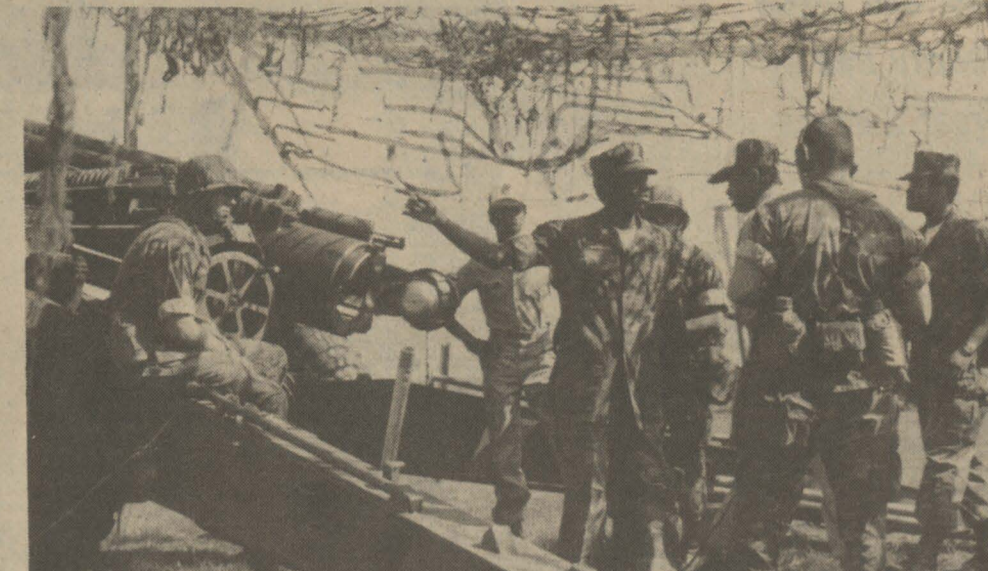
The NROTC Midshipman Battalion's "Annual Spring Review" is scheduled for Thursday, April 9 at 2:30 p.m. on the parade field west of the Memorial Student Center.

A reception for the honored guests will be held following the Review Ceremonies.

arrived at his destination in the Fall of 1980 in search of a degree in advertising art. He has since pursued his degree with vigor. He stated, "I've come a long way and I must get a good education!" Therefore, Kevin spends numerous hours in the art department trying to cultivate his skills — before, during, and after classes. He recently completed a graphics along the stairway in the Old Hospital where the department is housed. The graphic is a credit to him and the department.

Kevin plans to complete his degree in advertising art in the spring of 84. He is optimistic about his future and has dreams of becoming a highly sought after illustrator. He is at this time preparing to achieve these goals. It is my belief that he will succeed and someday he'll tell another high school graduate to take the journey to Prairie View . . . take the journey to Prairie View.

People who get ahead are those who always make sure they are underpaid.



NROTC Midshipmen Visit Marine Base

Prairie View's NROTC Midshipmen were recently presented an opportunity to witness tradition. They embarked on a six day NROTC orientation trip. The visit took them to the Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, Marine Air Station, El Toro, and the 1st Marine Division, Camp Pendleton, California.

22 Midshipmen from Prairie View accompanied by Captain J. R. Thomas, Marine Officer Instructor, and GYSGT W. J. Brock, Drill Instructor made the trip. While there, the Midshipmen participated in several activities, including repelling off a 55 foot repelling tower, running the Marine confidence course, fighting with "Pugil Sticks," firing the M-16 rifle and the M-60 machine gun. They also fired

the 155mm Howitzer Cannon, flight indoctrination and observed a Recruits Graduation and Parade at the Recruit Training Depot, San Diego. Other highlights included a visit to the Naval Training center where 14 College Prep School students expressed interest in the NROTC scholarship program at Prairie View, and the interaction between the Midshipmen of Oklahoma, Marquette and Purdue Universities.

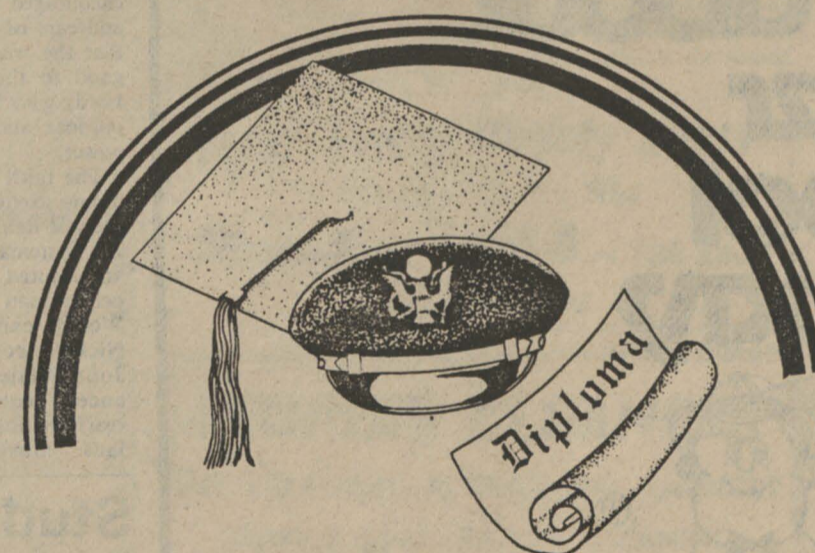
A reunion took place during the trip which highlighted successful careers of several PV graduates. Midshipmen were introduced to several former PV NROTC graduates including the first Marine Officer Instructor at Prairie View, Colonel Clarence Baker

who is now a staff judge advocate, Ensign Wanda Leonard, special investigator for the Naval Investigative service, 2nd Lt. Robert Benford, infantry officer and many others on their tour of duty in San Diego.

The Midshipmen gained an appreciation of the tradition and esprit de corps visible in the Marine Corps. They also witnessed how they operate and live, why they stress discipline, professionalism and why they are referred to as a "Force In Readiness!"

The NROTC Orientation trip to San Diego was deemed a tremendous success due to the overwhelming support from the United States Marine Corps, and the Administrative and Financial support provided by Prairie View A&M University.

ATTENTION



ARMY ROTC SUMMER COURSES

Dear Sophomores and Freshmen: (Females)

We are still accepting applications for our off-campus summer course which features:

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- ★ PLUS each student is PAID about \$450.00 ★

We offer six sessions; however, due to the high demand by PVU students, only a very limited number of additional students can attend the first and second sessions. Other sessions can accept up to seventeen more applicants each.

- The dates for each session are:
- Session 1 — 17 May-25 June 81
 - Session 2 — 25 May-2 July 81
 - Session 3 — 31 May 9-July 81
 - Session 4 — 28 June 6-August 81
 - Session 5 — 5 July-13 August 81
 - Session 6 — 12 July-20 August 81

Classes will be held at Fort Knox, Kentucky, 35 miles south of Louisville. Students attending will be paid 10c per mile if they wish to drive. (It's about 2,000 miles round trip). For anyone desiring to fly, a round trip airline ticket will be paid from Houston Intercontinental Airport or Home of Record.

Again, I wish to emphasize that you will not incur any form of obligation to this department or the university for attendance at the course irrespective of the money you are paid or the travel costs involved. In addition, attending this course will not preclude you attending summer school at Prairie View A&M University if that is your desire.

To apply or obtain more information, contact me at (713) 857-4512/3471 or visit my office in the OLD SCIENCE BUILDING room 309. When you call, ask about the Military Science Basic Camp.

A. V. EASTER, CPT., F1, Army ROTC

ATTENTION

**Pink and Green
Charity Ball a
Great Success**

The Pink and Green Charity Ball held by the Zeta Gamma Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc. on Saturday, March 28, 1981 at J.B.'s Entertainment Center in Houston, Texas, was a great success.

Music was performed by the Kashmere Senior High School stage band and a branch of their stage band called Quasar, they really did a superior job with the music. At intermission, awards were presented to those leaders of the community who gave their support to stop the closing of Black colleges and universities; these persons were: Rep. Sonfronia Thompson, Dr. J. B. Coleman, Dr. A. I. Thomas, Wilimina Delco, and accepting the award for the AFL-CIO, Mr. John Lacy.

Awards were also given to those sorors who contributed their time and energy for the betterment of the sorority, these awards were given as follows: Advisor of the Year — Soror Marion Williams; Soror of the Year — Soror Theresa Clarke; Neophyte of the Year — Soror Pamela Shields; and Most Valuable Soror — Soror Nikki Torian. All proceeds received from



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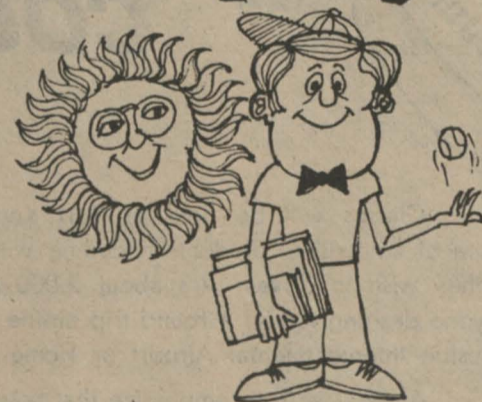
In observance of Black History month, the College of Business presented many cultural awareness activities

and programs. One such event was a marketing seminar presented by the students in the marketing principle classes which was held on February 27, 1981. The guest lecturer for this culminating event was Mr. Ross Holland, Music Director for radio station KMJQ (Majic 102fm), which is a black formatted station. Mr. Holland's theme was "Majic, Music, Records and You." A wealth of information was presented to the audience on the organizational structure of the radio station, career opportunities in the music

industry, the promotion of records, and what avenue one must take to be successful in the music industry. Mr. Holland also indicated that the radio station was scientifically organized and that marketing research is used intensively to gather data on market analysis, listening habits, and demographics, i.e., age, occupation, etc.

Students presenting the seminar included Bryon Goynes, Nikki Torian, and Doris Harvey. The seminar was sponsored by Marilyn Emanuel, instructor of the Marketing/Management Department in the College of Business.

**Sophomores...
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NAVAL ROTC AT PV

Kollar Korner

"To have faith is to be sure of things we hope for, to be certain of things we cannot see." Hebrews 11:1 (1-30) GNMM

"We know that in all things God works for good with those who love him, those whom he has called according to his purpose." Romans 8:28 (18-39) GNMM

**The World
Can Work**

As we view the plight of man in this vast universe which God has caused to be, we are likely to become discouraged, frustrated, and apathetic. But before we loose our grip on life and all that is to be found in a good, meaningful, fruitful and productive life of both the here and now, and the eschatological (not yet), let us take courage and hold on to the faith produced by the Judea/Christian phenomena.

Bishop Nichols address, "The World Can Work. . . If we will work diligently at it in the spirit of Christ — Mission begins at our doorstep and extends to persons everywhere," sets before us a challenge to the Judea/Christian faith. "Faith begins with the belief in the existence of God," says the Bishop, and then reflects on writings of Mortimer Adler, chairperson of the board of editors of the Encyclopedia Britannica: "After carrying the reader through the traditional and cosmological arguments for the existence of God, Mr. Adler concludes: 'I am persuaded that God exists either beyond a reasonable doubt or by the preponderance of reasons in favor of that conclusion over reasons against it.' "So, in this lenten season, what ever our plight may be, we are to be encouraged through the eyes and ears of faith to conclude that the world can work for good to those who love the Lord, who are called by His purpose and are led by His power.

The faith to which I speak has no scientific merits, for we are not dealing in scientific nor systematic basis, but we are assured wholeness which neither man nor things of this World can fully supply. Nichols continues: "What John Wesley called "assurance" requires continuous reaffirmation. Modern Christians must rethink and reformulate their divine ideas. Judea/Christian interpretations of God have had a profound effect on the history and development of the whole human race. . . The church of Jesus Christ, in all its forms, penetrates more deeply into the matrix on intercontinental cultures, nations and races than any other institution on earth. . . The Church of Jesus Christ possesses immense unused power yet to be employed in the service of the Gospel!" Therefore, we are admonished to accept the Judea/Christian phenomena and to exercise unconditionally the faith of which it upholds. Through this faith we are to be sure of that which we hope for, to be certain of things of which we cannot see with the physical eye, or as John Wesley calls "assurance." We must affirm and then continue to reaffirm such faith. Through these weeks of lent, we must seek such reaffirmation; with complete knowledge "that in all things God works for good with those who love him, those whom he has called according to his purpose." With total and unswerving confidence and commitment to God, the author and finisher of our faith, we can experience the fact that the "world can work." We are assured as stated in the scripture; that in all these things, we are more than conquer through him who loved us! (Please follow the development of this treatise in subsequent issues of the Panther).

Darnell L. Walker, Director: Wesley Foundation, and Pastor: First United Methodist Church

The topic for this treatise is from the Episcopal address of Bishop Roy C. Nichols of New York as he addressed the Council of Bishops in Houston, November, 1980. The production and expositions are reflections of the same in an attempt to strengthen our faith.

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**Study Skill Workshop:
How To Survive**

- * Does it seem as though you're given more literature than you can possibly read?
- * Are your class notes often incomplete and disorganized?
- * Do you study all night, but still fail the exam the next day?
- * Does it seem as though you never have time to do all that you've planned?
- * Have you had a conversation that you were unable to adequately express yourself, because you had limited vocabulary?
- * Do you have difficulty remembering important information? If you answered yes to any of these questions, you should attend the Study Skills Workshop.

STUDY SKILLS:

- (1) Vocabulary development
 - (2) Listening
 - (3) Remembering
 - (4) Studying for exams
 - (5) Taking examinations — objective and essay
 - (6) Reading textbooks
 - (7) Speed reading
 - (8) Reading comprehension
 - (9) Note-taking
 - (10) Time organizing
- Coming soon in April.

Sponsored by the Junior Class and the Eta Gamma Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.

PV Women Shine in Prairie View Relays

by Jean Pierce



Easter Gabriel

Sheila Labome

Prairie View's women's track team was named outstanding team in the 51st annual Prairie View Relays run last weekend on the brand new All Weather track at Black-shear Field.

The Pantherettes and Texas Southern each won two relays while Prairie View had one more individual first place for Texas Southern to earn the top spot in the women's division.

The Panthers only had one first place in the college-university division — Robert Thomas in the 110-meter hurdles, while the freshmen finished a distant second to Wharton Junior College in the freshman-junior college division.

Texas Southern's Roberta Harper and Linda Weekly were named outstanding field event person and outstanding

runner in the women's division while Texas Southern's Tom Johnson and Jackson State's Anthony Appoy were outstanding field event and runner in the college-university division.

Wharton had 95 points to easily win the freshman-junior college division with Prairie View second with 41 points and Texas Southern third with 40.

First place finishers in the freshman-junior college division were Stacy Robinson, Art Fenty, Keith Lundy, Eric Pierce and the 400 meter relay team.

First place finishers in the women's division were the sprint medley relay team of Shelia LaBome, Cassandra Graham, Easter Gabriel and Maryann Higgs; Karen Waddell in the shot put; Andrea

**Panthers Beat Paul Quinn
Twice in Baseball**

by Henry Hawkins

Al Gomez — hit two third-inning home runs then scored the winning run on a passed ball in the second game of a doubleheader to pace Prairie View to 10-0 and 6-5 victories over Paul Quinn Monday on the Panther's Diamond.

The victories upped Prairie View's record to 13-12-1 with important NAIA games coming up this weekend.

The Panthers will host Western Division second place Southern in a three-game two-day set Friday and Saturday then travel to Hawkins, Texas to play NAIA District 8 foe Jarvis Christian.

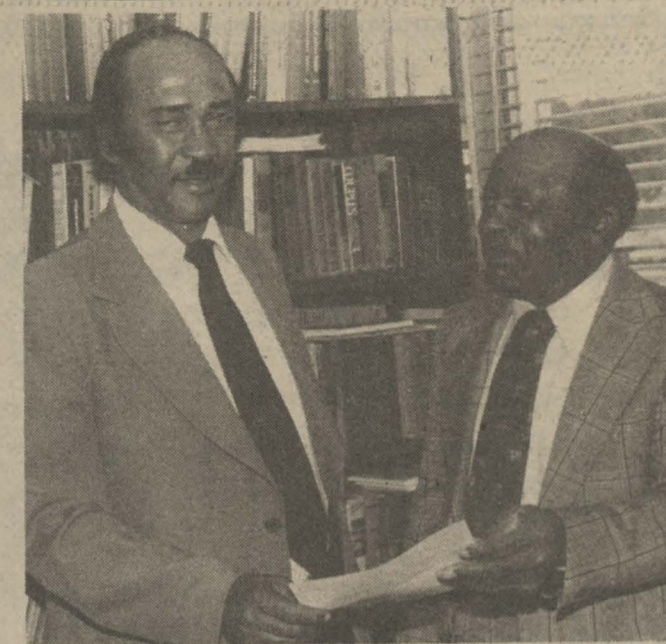
Prairie View was ranked among the top 6 teams in the latest NAIA District 8 poll, a spot they need to maintain the

make the NAIA District 8 playoffs in May at Wichita Falls, Texas.

Back in Monday's game, Gomez, a senior second baseman from Hacienda Heights, California hit a home run in the first game with no one on then blasted a roundtripper with first baseman Allen Lee on in the second game of the doubleheader.

Paul Quinn pushed the Panthers two extra innings in the second game before Prairie View loaded the bases with one out and Gomez raced home on a passed ball.

Timothy George and Chuck Boyd combined for a two-hit shutout in the first game while Fred Brown picked up the victory in relief in the second game.



ATHLETIC GIFT — The Prairie View Athletic Department recently received a \$1,000 donation from the Joe Louis Foundation to be used to assist the Golf Team. Shown receiving the check is Dr. Leroy Moore, left, athletic director at Prairie View and Erastus Sams, mayor of Prairie View, right, making the presentation.

**Women Basketball Players
Sign PV Letters of Intent**

by Jean Pierce

Two women basketball players have signed letters of intent to attend Prairie View, announced Panther Women's Basketball Coach Harry Gunner.

Green in the discus; Loretta Edwards in the 400 meter dash; Delvis Burroughs in the 200 meter dash and the 1600 meter relay team of Higgs, Gabriel, Edwards and LaBome.

The two, from the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex area are Doris Graham and Shelia Carter.

Graham averaged 14.0 points and 16 rebounds per game while at Dunbar High School in Fort Worth last year. She was also chosen to the all district team.

Carter, from White High School in Dallas, averaged 14.0 points and 14 rebounds per game. Both stand 5-11.



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Aggies Win PV Golf Relays

by Leonard Woodard

Texas A&M stole the show at the annual Prairie View golf relays recently with an impressive 588 total at the University golf course in College Station.

The Panthers — Gary Walters, Charles Burleson, Charles Hopkins, John Baree and Allen Pettis — finished in fifth place with a 666.

Second place went to Texas Southern with a 6-5, followed

by Texas Lutheran at 625 and Grambling 657.

Aggie Jay Townsend won medalist honors at the relays with a 71-73-144. Teammate John Lee had 146 and Texas Southern's Greg Maycock had 149.

Walters and Burleson led the Panthers with 157 and 159 respectively.

The Panthers next action will be at Mississippi Valley Invitational Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

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Convocation and Campus Tour



**JERELYN HUGHES (Miss PV Woman)
PRESENTED HONOR SOCIETIES**



**CHAIRMAN HUBERT (above-left)
talks with Gov. Clements'
Desegregation Chairman Tom
Rhodes.**



**Governor is escorted from podium by
President Thomas following Convocation
address.**