

# Students 'restore' city block in architecture workshop

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A city block of crumbling buildings in Ft. Collins, Colo., was restored and redesigned on paper by 170 landscape architecture students on the Texas A&M University campus Saturday.

The students were participating in Landscape Architecture Workshop '79 in Rudder Tower.

Representing six universities from Texas, Arkansas, Oklahoma, and Louisiana, 170 students and 12 professionals from the landscape architecture field were involved in

seminars and special landscape design problems during the three-day workshop.

The problem given to the students was an actual situation submitted by Charlie Kapp of Ft. Collins, Colo., one of the professionals attending the workshop, said Reagan Tower, chairman of the event.

The students were given a three-hour work period to come up with an economical and attractive restoration design as a climax to the Saturday afternoon session, she said.

The students also heard Jot Carpenter, president of the American Society of Landscape Architects; Donald Meining, professor of geography at Syracuse University; and Earl Broussard, professor of landscape architecture at Louisiana State University, as the main speakers.

Carpenter's talk was on "The Development of the Landscape Architecture, Student and Professional," and Broussard spoke on "The Evolution of the American Landscape."

Meining presented a paper to be

published entitled "Reading the Landscape — An appreciation of W.G. Hoskins and J.B. Jackson."

The students participated in seminars on landscape architecture Friday afternoon, but Tower said the favorite speech was given by Rodney Hill, professor of environmental design at Texas A&M. His demonstration featured "centering," a type of relaxation and awareness exercise to help students grasp their potential.

During the Saturday morning session, Stefanie Kaweck, a sophomore from Magnolia, was awarded a \$300 grant from the Texas chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects for her achievements at Texas A&M.

The workshop gives students an opportunity to work alongside professionals, which they never have a chance to do in a normal classroom situation, said Mike Cunningham, a Texas A&M graduate student in landscape architecture.



These chuck holes at Holleman and Welsh streets are just a few in College Station that are badly in need of repair. Federal government funds will repair streets in low income areas of College Station.  
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## 'Real' wife protests marriage

United Press International  
MEMPHIS, Tenn. — A 17-year-old girl has filed suit for annulment of her four-month-old marriage because her 19-year-old husband turned out to be a woman.

A Chancery Court suit filed last week charges that she was deceived and asks the marriage be voided because "the parties have entered into a homosexual marriage, such a marriage being immoral" under Tennessee law.

A Memphis minister who counseled the couple before marrying them in an elaborate church ceremony last year said the discovery came as a complete shock to the girl, church members and himself.

"I'm a certified sex therapist," said the minister, who asked that his name be withheld. "I'm not that easily fooled." But he said the groom looked and acted like a man.

It was not until after the couple left for a new home in Atlanta that the minister began to hear rumors about the groom.

Later, the girl said her "husband" told her that he was deformed because of a football injury and refused to undress in front of her, the minister said.

## Nature, HUD funds 'allow' CS street repairs, paving

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With the cooperation of Mother Nature and the federal government, several streets in College Station will be repaved and repaired.

Since 1975 the city of College Station has been in the federally funded Community Development Program. Cities that qualify receive money to pave and repair streets and public facilities in low income areas.

Streets now under repair are Preston, Columbus, Pierce, Avenue B and portions of Churchill and Georgia. However, Mother Nature has interfered with the work.

"There's nothing we can do about it," said Elrey Ash, College Station contractor in charge of repairing the streets. "We had to pull back because of rainy, cold weather." Work can resume soon, he said.

Besides the rough weather, planners have had to wrestle with the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), which channels the federal funds.

Jim Callaway, community development planner for College Station, said the city did not receive any federal funds in 1978 because it could not show enough improvements. Also, College Station and HUD could not reach an agreement on which housing assistance plan would be best for the community.

"I think all of this will be working out now," Callaway said. In 1977 the city received \$275,000, Callaway said. The rest of the money can go to help pay administration cost.

"It takes a lot of administration effort," Callaway said. "There's a lot of paper work involved."

To qualify, the majority of families in a neighborhood must have less than average area income, based on the 1970 census. Callaway said that about \$8,000 is a low family income.

Four areas have been identified as low income and are eligible for

funds, Callaway said. They are fairly old and small with street problems," he said.

"These were not in the city originally. We're trying to go back correct."

Without the Community Development program, city streets would be paved and repaired, placing a lien against the residential property under the Texas Street Assessment Program.

"Then they (the residents) can release their property 'til it is paved," Callaway said. "I doubt the residents in these areas could pay the tax. Callaway said he hopes the federal program can be expanded to pay for street repairs in other areas."

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