



CENTER OF ACTIVITIES—Whether indoors for bowling tournaments, bridge club meetings and dances, or whether outdoors like the gathering shown (the Aggie Muster held on April 21 each year), the place where everybody eventually gathers is the spacious Memorial Student Center. Everything a student could want is found somewhere in the modern building.

MSC Is A&M's 'Living Room'

The living room of Texas A&M is the Memorial Student Center, a spacious, modern building located just south of the main drill field. Popularly known as the MSC, it has been serving the college and the community since 1950, when it was built in memory of those A&M men who died in World Wars I and II.

The gathering place for all campus groups, the Center contains under one roof bowling alleys, game rooms, shops, club meeting rooms, a post office, a browsing library, record playing rooms, a piano room and television lounges.

Besides a regular dining room, the MSC has a coffee shop and a fountain room for snacks or cafeteria lunches.

The Student Center is governed by a council of eight students, five faculty members and two former students. A student is always president of the MSC Council; this year's president is Bud Whitney. The chairmen of the committees compose the Directorate, which plans and directs the program of the MSC.

The MSC invites all incoming freshmen to sign up for the various committees and activities. There's something to suit the tastes of everyone, so read on and take your pick.

House Committee

The House Committee, which this year will be led by Dick McGlaun, will begin its year with an Open House for freshmen. The group will sponsor student-faculty coffee hours for the various departments of the college, and at Christmas will be responsible for decorating the entire MSC. During the Mother's Day weekend it will hold a reception for all Aggies and their mothers.

Dance Committee

This group is responsible for the

MSC dance classes, which meet every week and include instruction in all types of ballroom dancing. The Dance Committee also sponsors A&M's version of a French nightclub—the bimonthly Rue Pinalle—and many other dances throughout the year. This year's chairman is Ed Saad.

Music Committee

The Music Committee under Art Henderson selects the music to be played over the loud-speaker system in the MSC and chooses records for the record playing rooms. It is in charge of the entire music program at the Center and each year sponsors an intercollegiate talent show.

Recital Series

This sub-committee of the Music Committee sponsors recitals which will appeal to students interested in classical music. Admission to the recitals, which will be given by regional and national artists, is covered by the student activity fee. Chairman of the committee is Bob Rea.

Art Gallery Committee

Under the direction of Paul Ross, the Art Gallery Committee gives free instruction in all types of art and also organizes all the art exhibits and displays that are held in the Center during the year.

Crafts Committee

Novices and experienced craftsmen are invited to join the Crafts Committee and use the facilities of the crafts shop. The many medias in which members can work include leather, ceramics, metals, plastics and woodwork. Roy Wallace is chairman of the group.

Junco Committee

Bill Willis is chairman of this small group of students and faculty, which meets regularly to discuss a wide range of topics. All members are given an opportunity

to express their opinions and attitudes.

Radio Committee

This group is made up of Ham operators and others interested in amateur radio. Members can use the facilities of the radio club house, which is equipped with shortwave sets. Buddy Lyon is chairman of the committee.

Camera Club

Members of the Camera Club have the privilege of using the Center's fully equipped darkrooms for developing their pictures. The group, under the leadership of Bob Stansberry, sponsors exhibits, contests and instruction.

Great Issues Committee

This group, led by Bob Bacher,

will present a series of prominent speakers, who will discuss subjects of wide interest. Admission is charged for the programs, except to those students who pay their activity fee.

Audio Committee

This committee is for students who are interested in high fidelity sound and the reproduction of fine music. Gene Grossholz is in charge of the group, which presents interesting programs during the year on all phases of hi-fi audio.

Film Society

This committee is in charge of selecting fine movies of the past to be presented as part of the MSC film series. The group handles all the operations, including planning, selling tickets and selecting the times for the showings.

Student Forum

This committee, under the direction of Les Robinson, brings noted speakers to the campus and arranges public panels and debates.

Browsing Library

This group is in charge of the library and selects all books and periodicals for the library. It is also responsible for the book reviews held during the year. Rudy Hernandez is chairman of the Browsing Library Committee.

Bowling Committee

Led by Al McClellan, this group promotes bowling tournaments between A&M students and other colleges. Beginners as well as experienced bowlers are eligible for membership in the committee.

Public Relation Committee

The success of the Center's many activities depend on the Public Relation committee, which uses radio, newspaper and advertising to bring to the attention of the community the facilities of the MSC. Bryan Dedeker is in charge of this group.

Aggie-Exes' Club Aids A&M; Sponsors Development Fund

The Association of Former Students is a non-profit corporation organized for the purpose of aiding A&M in every way possible and providing a means of maintaining friendships made on the campus.

Everyone who has been enrolled in A&M at one time or another is automatically a member of the Association, whether he actually received a degree or not.

As the old says goes, there is no

such thing as an ex-Aggie—once an Aggie, always an Aggie.

To give an idea of the scope of the organization, there are some 30,000 A&M men on its rolls. About 75 per cent of these reside in Texas, 20 per cent in other states, and five per cent in foreign countries. A&M men are in every state in the union and in foreign nations throughout the world. They live in more than 3,000 cities and towns in the United States alone.

Supervising the campus office of the Association, which is located in the west wing of the Memorial Student Center, is J. B. (Dick) Hervey, class of 1942. His job as the executive secretary of the Association is to coordinate the activities of the 180 active A&M clubs throughout the nation. He is responsible for planning class reunions, keeping individual biographies of all former students up (See FSA, Page 3)

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