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Class Presidents Outline Programs For Coming Year

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With five months still remaining until the fall semester, the newly-elected class presidents have already begun outlining long range programs for the 1966-67 school year.

Although plans are as yet tentative and premature, the officers have committed themselves to a fast, ambitious pace with one common goal in mind: class unity.

Plans range from weekend barbecues to reviving and promoting Religious Emphasis Week.

Senior class president Terrell Mullins will get a head start on his junior and sophomore counterparts when preparations begin for the senior Boot Dance May 28.

"Right now, next year's senior class officers are making initial plans for the dance," Mullins reported. "Of course, annual events such as this, the Ring Dance and other senior functions will be among our class plans."

According to Mullins, the new officers are presently studying the possibility of instigating a senior class trip to New Orleans Sept. 24 for the A&M-Tulane football game.

"Other projects we are considering and in the process of sounding out are the class gift and a senior party during a football game next fall," he noted.

Mullins, a junior from Garwood, is majoring in pre-law.

Gerald Campbell, president of the junior class, has outlined a five-point program with several new innovations to accompany traditional projects like the Junior Ball.

"We plan to promote class unity by having more class meetings to get a better view of the students' needs and desires," he pointed out.

"To achieve more organized class meetings we intend to set up a representative system whereby each Corps unit and civilian dormitory will take an active part in their class."

One of Campbell's chief goals is the revival of Religious Emphasis Week on the campus.

"This activity has become only a place on the school calendar and we plan to try to restore it to its former status," he emphasized.

A new idea Campbell hopes to introduce is the establishment of a scholarship fund sponsored by the Class of '68.

"The purpose of this fund would be to make it possible for some very talented boy to receive a college education at Texas A&M," he said, "a boy who would not be able to go to college because of his financial status."

Campbell also hopes to initiate a movement to allow the band to travel to more football games.

"It is our desire, with the approval of the administration, to make it possible for the band to make trips to the two out-of-state games with Tulane and LSU," he said.

He is promoting an informal class dance in the fall in addition to the junior spring ball, providing the class with both formal and informal parties.

Campbell, a back on the football squad, is a physical education major from Center.

Sophomore class president, Larry Henry, has several ideas in mind but refrains from making definite commitments until he is informed of limitations and restrictions placed upon class activities.

"The complexity of planning functions without knowing how we will stand financially and otherwise is very great," he explained, "so right now I would have to say that all arrangements are only tentative."

"The major activities that I hope to accomplish include a barbecue following a home football game next fall, a dance for all sophomores at TWU, some money raising projects and, of course, the annual Sophomore Ball."

He points out that details for these and other activities are still incomplete.

A pre-law major from Waco, Henry feels the class of '69 needs a greater amount of class unity, derived through improved communications systems.

"An increase in communication would mean more participation," he noted, "and more participation means better unity both on class and university levels."

All three presidents urge their classmates to make any suggestions which they feel would promote the betterment of their class.

Poverty Group To Meet Tonight

By LARRY R. JERDEN

Public approval of a Community Action Committee will be sought at 7:30 p.m. tonight in the Brazos County District Courtroom.

The steering committee, authorized by a countywide meeting March 7, has nominated 66 members for the CAC, which will examine community needs and determine the course of the anti-poverty campaign in the county.

The committee will have at its disposal \$155,000 allocated under the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964. Before the committee is authorized to take any action, however, it must be approved by the people of the county, the Texas Office of Economic Opportunity and the U. S. Office of Economic Opportunity.

The 66 members, by law, must and do represent all racial minority groups, government units, public and private agencies, the professions, business and the poor themselves. The latter category constitutes 30 per cent of the committee.

The current war on poverty movement was brought to public attention March 7, when the first countywide meeting was held. This meeting was a result of an American Association of University Women committee studying community problems.

The committee of 18 women, headed by Mrs. Leonard Burgess, first approached County Judge W. C. Davis to seek his advice on organizing a Community Action Committee to take advantage of any Federal funds set aside for Brazos County.

After this initial meeting, Robert Watts, program consultant of the state OEO office, was brought to Brazos County to speak and explained possible alternatives at the March 7 meeting.

Mrs. Burgess pointed out that there are numerous challenges in the county to which the money and efforts of the CAC may be focused. Included are possible day nurseries for working mothers, work-training programs to high school dropouts and economic aid to the poor.

The overall challenge to the CAC, however, will be to analyze the causes and results of poverty in the county, then mobilize public and private funds and manpower to attack and overcome them, with the aid of OEO money.

"I feel the steering committee has done a splendid job in its careful selection of each nominee . . ." Mrs. Burgess said. "Naturally, we are all anxious to complete the organization requirements and get on with the war on poverty."

Housing Change Possible

Senate To Revive Political Club Issue

Hannigan Says Off-Campus Living Studied

By BOB SOLOVEY

Off-campus housing will be authorized next year if more than 9,500 students register in the fall, Dean of Students James P. Hannigan said Wednesday.

A student will simply submit his application for admission and will indicate he will find housing in the College Station-Bryan area.

Approval by Hannigan or the Director of Student Affairs will not be necessary.

Director of Student Affairs Bennie A. Zinn indicated present housing policies are still in effect at this time. The rules specify all undergraduate students must live on campus or with their parents.

Hannigan noted, however, a record enrollment of 11,000 would cause "violently liberalized rules."

In the past Hannigan has only handled questions of off-campus housing referred to him by Zinn for further consideration.

Automatic approval has gone to graduate or married students or to students who have shown that part-time jobs require their living elsewhere.

Members of the Corps who do not register this semester may have to find housing for themselves off-campus, Hannigan said.

A cadet who fails to register may also find himself assigned to a day student outfit next fall.

Hannigan foresaw an increase in the number of day student outfits in the near future. Living in civilian housing would in no way affect a cadet's pursuance of an officer contract, he added.

"We'll have to wait until next fall to see if we'll need more housing and what type of housing—for married or single students—and whether the housing should be designed for cadets or civilians," Hannigan said.

The dean added that he recently received a letter from a faculty member who had been a "fraternity man" during his college days and had enjoyed his membership. The professor noted the Corps was dwindling and that the policy of coeducation had opened a void in the traditional military atmosphere on campus.

Surprisingly, the professor played down the role of today's fraternities and said they have long since seen their useful purpose.

He urged Hannigan to study campus life and give his support to finding a compatible and unique social atmosphere which would bring students together as a unit once again.

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UT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA PERFORMS . . . group here Sunday for Town Hall appearance.

Symphony, Concert Choir Last Town Hall Offering

"Music for a Sunday Afternoon" will spotlight the University of Texas Symphony and Concert Choir at 3 p.m. Sunday

RV Firing Squad Members Chosen

Twenty-one juniors have been selected to the Ross Volunteers firing squad for 1966-67, Executive Officer Roland Smith has announced.

The new firing squad, announced at the recent RV Banquet, will fire at today's Muster ceremony and any Silver Taps services next year.

Members include Gregory Scott Carter, Arturo Esquivel, Dennis Nicholas Hohman, Terrell Sheppard Mullins, Harold Charles Schade, Victor Herman Schmidt, John Patton Tyson, Robert Allen Beene, Steven Vincent Gummer, John Carolton Hammond, Roy Earl Massey, Troy Harold Myers, Gerald Adron Teel, Michael McKenzie Tower, David Joe Cruz, William Carl Haselhoff Jr., Robert Allen Holcomb, Sammy Wray Pearson, Michael Stanley O' Hara, Joseph Don Rehmet and Thomas Carl Stone.

The RV company will participate in Fiesta Flambeau activities this weekend in San Antonio. The group will serve as honor guard for the Miss Fiesta Float in the Battle of Flowers parade.

in the Bryan Municipal Auditorium. Seating will be on a first come, first served basis, announced Mike Nabors, chairman of the sponsoring Memorial Student Center Town Hall Series.

The presentation is the final Town Hall offering of the year. Tickets are available at the MSC building cashier's window.

Dr. Henry Swoboda conducts the 70-piece orchestra. He succeeded Alexander von Kreisler in 1964 after spending two years as conductor of the Harvard-Radcliffe Orchestra.

The conductor brings a musical career to College Station-Bryan that has spanned 40 years and three continents. Swoboda studied at the Academy of Music in his native Prague and earned a doctorate in musicology from Charles University. He was music director and conductor for Radio Prague for six years and appeared as guest conductor in Edinburgh, and with the Berlin and Dresden Philharmonic Orchestras, and the Vienna Symphony.

In 1938, during the phase he calls "the Hitler episode", Swoboda reached America and became a naturalized citizen in 1944.

Swoboda's recordings range from pre-classics to contemporary. He was musical director for Concert Hall Society and Westminster Records for many years.

Guest appearance have taken

the conductor to London, Paris, Copenhagen, Barcelona, Mexico City, Stockholm, Vienna and Buenos Aires.

Swoboda is coordinating a project for the Voice of America to produce 20 radio programs on the scope of the American symphony orchestra. The programs will be broadcast in 80 foreign countries.

UT's 140-voice Concert Choir is directed by D. Royce Boyer, representing Morris J. Beachy, on a U. S. State Department tour in Europe, Africa and the Near East.

Jess Walters, former leading baritone of England's Royal Opera Company, Convent Garden, will be a featured singer. Since 1950, Walters has performed with the Netherlands Opera in Amsterdam. He has sung with the New Opera Company, New York City Opera, the St. Louis and Chicago Operas. Guest appearances by Walters include NBC's Television Opera Workshop and other coast-to-coast U. S. radio network programs.

Texas History Program Slated At Consolidated

A&M Consolidated looks like the meeting place of historic characters out of Texas' past. Today is Texas History Day for seventh grade students. Each pupil comes to school dressed as a figure from Texas history.

The students research the character and copy his dress, mannerisms and speech.

This year's program was conceived by Texas history teacher, Fred Hopson, a 1960 graduate of A&M.

"It's a way of taking a dull subject and bringing it to life," Hopson said. "I feel like it has created quite a bit of interest."

At the beginning of the school year 25 per cent of the sixth graders had already chosen their characters, showing the interest the kids have taken.

This year the seventh grade teachers will also wear historic costumes for the first year.

The seventh graders will take an educational Texas history trip Friday in conjunction with the program.

They will visit the old Baptist church in Independence, which was at one time attended by Sam Houston; the ruins of old Baylor University, San Felipe de Austin and Stephen F. Austin State Park where they will eat lunch.

Buck To Ask Consideration Of Resolution

By JAMES SIZEMORE

Student Senate Parliamentarian Craig Buck said Wednesday he will attempt to revive the "logjammed" issue of political clubs on campus during the Senate's Thursday night meeting.

"We are going to request that the Executive Committee take action one way or the other, on this matter," Buck said. "It has been four or five weeks now since we wrote them last and if any action has been taken we have not been informed."

Buck pointed out that President Earl Rudder's recent trip to Viet Nam may have delayed the issue. He also mentioned that considerable time was spent trying to discover who had the authority to approve or disapprove political clubs.

"The matter got into a logjam over who would make the decision," Buck noted.

He said the Board of Directors felt that the university Executive Committee had the authority to make the decision.

The Senate endorsed political clubs Jan. 6 and forwarded a resolution to the Board, which in turn referred the question to the Executive Committee.

"Maybe we are a little presumptuous," Buck said. "It may be on the agenda, but we haven't been informed."

(Dean of Students James P. Hannigan told The Battalion Wednesday night that the Executive Committee had briefly discussed the political club issue last Monday but will consider the matter more fully at next Monday's meeting.)

Buck said he had been approached by several students as to what action was being taken on the matter. Most of these students, he added, were highly in favor of having political clubs on campus.

"It seems to me that every university should have such clubs," said Buck. "We are several years behind."

He added that he felt the chances of political clubs being approved was slim, judging from what he has been told. He added that he has heard it is almost a foregone conclusion that such clubs will be disappointed.

President Rudder recently predicted to student leaders that the Executive Committee would defeat the political club resolution.

The first resolution approved by the Senate requested that "political clubs . . . be allowed on campus under the same procedure as any other student organization."

At that time, it was suggested that such organizations must have the approval of the Dean of Students, file either a constitution or statement of purpose with the Student Finance Office and allow the disposition of organizational funds through the finance office.

Several procedural limitations were also set forth due to the nature of such clubs. One stipulated that there would be no campaigning or demonstrating on campus although funds could be solicited in certain areas.

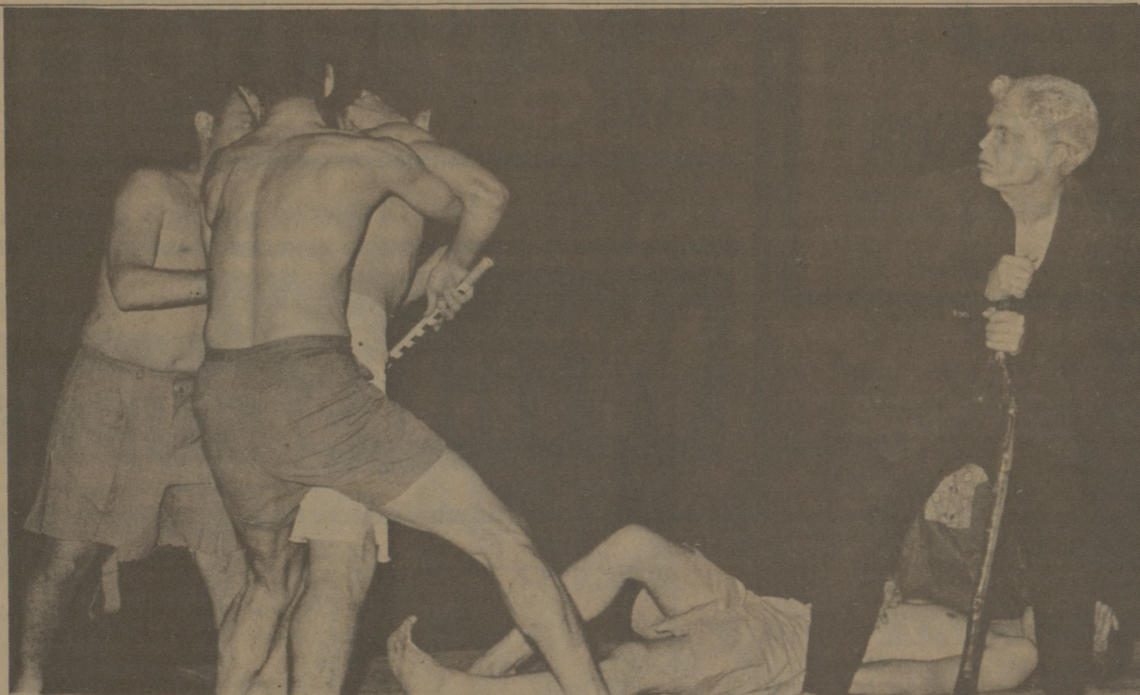
Former Students Begin Campaign

The Association of Former Students will conduct development fund campaigns in 134 Texas and Louisiana cities between Thursday and June 1.

Royce Wisenbaker of Tyler, president of the 50,000-member association, said the 1966 goal is \$500,000.

The association hopes to conclude its 1966 campaigns by June 1, although solicitations for the fund will be continued by mail through December 30.

Former Students in 1965 contributed \$575,242 for scholarships, fellowships, faculty research and other university and associational programs.



MEDICINE MAN RESTRAINED

Paul Bleau, left, and Ed Reyna grab Kirk Lane, author of the Aggie Players production and also a major character, gives a command. The play will be presented again at 8 p. m. Friday.