

Campus Briefs

Ag Engineers Win 2nd Place

The Texas A&M student branch of the American Society of Agricultural Engineers has won second place in national competition, according to L. Joe Glass, faculty advisor to the group.

Glass, instructor in the Department of Agricultural Engineering, and Ralph Bowers of Palacios, president of the A&M branch, attended the 59th annual meeting of the ASAE where the award was presented.

The A&M branch entered a record book in the Farm and Industrial Equipment Institute Trophy Competition competing in Group B which consists of student branches of 24 members or less. The A&M branch had 21 members this past school year.

The award is given as an incentive to promote student branch activities on each campus with the judging based on organization, meeting activities, quality of meetings, special branch activities and special activities by members.

Bowers also served the past year as first vice-president of the National Council of Student Branches.

According to J. L. Butt, executive secretary of the ASAE, the awards are made to student branches which have had the most conspicuous record of activities and achievement for the preceding school year.

Accounting Students Awarded Scholarships

Five Department of Accounting students at Texas A&M won scholarships for the 1966-67 school year, announced Dr. John E. Pearson, School of Business Administration director.

Two graduate students, two seniors and a sophomore were awarded stipulations of \$150 and \$250 provided by international public accounting firms. Funding awards are Ernst and Ernst and former students associated with Arthur Andersen and Co. Selection is based on accounting excellence.

Graduate students James G. Hooton of Marshall and James H. Kauffman of Georgetown, seniors Gene P. Thibodeaux of Houston and James M. Bassham of Sulphur Bluff and sophomore Ronald D. Beddingfield of Tyler were designated.

A&M Hosts 10,000 Pinkie Says

Texas A&M hosted 10,201 visitors in June and July, announces Official Greeter P. L. (Pinkie) Downs Jr.

Twenty-two groups comprised the total attending short courses, class reunions and other scheduled meetings.

Downs reported 1,075,783 campus visitors for the 17 years and two months he has kept records. He estimates they spent \$22,591,443 in the community.

Miller Gets \$2,000 Grant

Economics Assistant Prof. Paul B. Miller of Texas A&M has been awarded a \$2,000 grant in support of his doctoral dissertation.

The award is from the Office of Manpower Policy, Evaluation and Research, U. S. Department of Labor. Project title is "An Analysis of Government Training Programs in Ohio: A Case Study of Graduates of MDTA Courses in Selected Skilled Occupations".

Purpose of the study is to provide additional information on the effect of worker training programs in helping displaced workers cope with a dynamic labor market.

Miller's data were collected via mailed questionnaires, personal interviews, and from records of the Ohio Department of Vocational Education and Ohio Bureau of Unemployment Compensation involving 900 graduates.

By separating successfully employed workers from the unsuccessful, Miller feels characteristics of the two groups can be analyzed to determine if there are important differences among trainees which effect method ability and willingness to adapt work.

Miller contends the research will prove valuable to administrators planning future worker training courses.

Experiment Station Receives \$86,822

The Texas Agricultural Experiment Station has received two grants from the Public Health Service totaling \$86,822 for air pollution studies, Dr. R. E. Patterson, station director, has announced.

Research director for biological grants is Dr. Howard G. Applegate of the A&M Department of Plant Sciences.

One of the grants is \$68,169 to investigate "The Effect of Pesticides on an Ecosystem." Applegate said an ecosystem is a term for the various parts of a particular environment.

The other grant is \$18,653 to support research on "Cytogenetic Effects of Fluoride." Applegate said the project involves the study of how fluoride affects the genetics of plant cells.

Both grants were made through the Public Health Service's Division of Air Pollution, Bureau of State Services. The Public Health Service is a unit of the U. S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare.

Meeting Draws 5 Companies

Five telephone companies will be represented in a Texas Telephone Association committee meeting Friday at Texas A&M Research Annex.

Charles Whitaker of A&M Telecommunications Training Center said Gulf States Telephone Co. of Tyler, Transcontinental Telephone Co. of Dallas, Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. of Dallas, General Telephone Co. of San Angelo, and Texas Telephone and Telegraph Co. of Houston, will be represented.

F. G. Winters, president of Texas Telephone and Telegraph Co., will chair the session concerning TTA's telephone technician training program at A&M.

A&M conferees include Ed W. Kerlick, chief instructor of electric and telephone training; K. K. Jonas, chief instructor of the Electronic Science Institute, and Whitaker.

Telephone technician training courses are jointly sponsored by A&M, TTA, Texas Statewide Telephone Co-Op Association, and the Texas Education Agency's Vocational Training Division.

Short Courses Scheduled

Two electrical engineering short courses are scheduled Monday through Aug. 12 and Aug. 15-19 at Texas A&M.

The initial week is for basic theory of symmetrical components. Advanced work in the same area is scheduled the second week.

Sponsored by A&M's Department of Electrical Engineering, courses proved opportunities for practicing engineers to acquaint themselves with theories and applications to solution of problems involving unbalanced conditions on transmission lines and electrical machinery.

Enrollment totals 41 for the two-weeks. Engineers are expected from Texas, Louisiana, Missouri, Mexico, Idaho, New Mexico, Nebraska, Kansas, and Kentucky and Wisconsin.

Prof. Lewis M. Haupt is the short course director. (See Briefs, page 5)

Mrs. Lee: A First For Vet School

Relatively early in life, Mrs. Sonja Oliphant Lee has several admirable accomplishments to her credit and at least one distinction that will follow her for the rest of her days.

For one thing, she is a skilled horse trainer. For another, she will receive the coveted Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree at graduation ceremonies Friday after six grueling years of study and work.

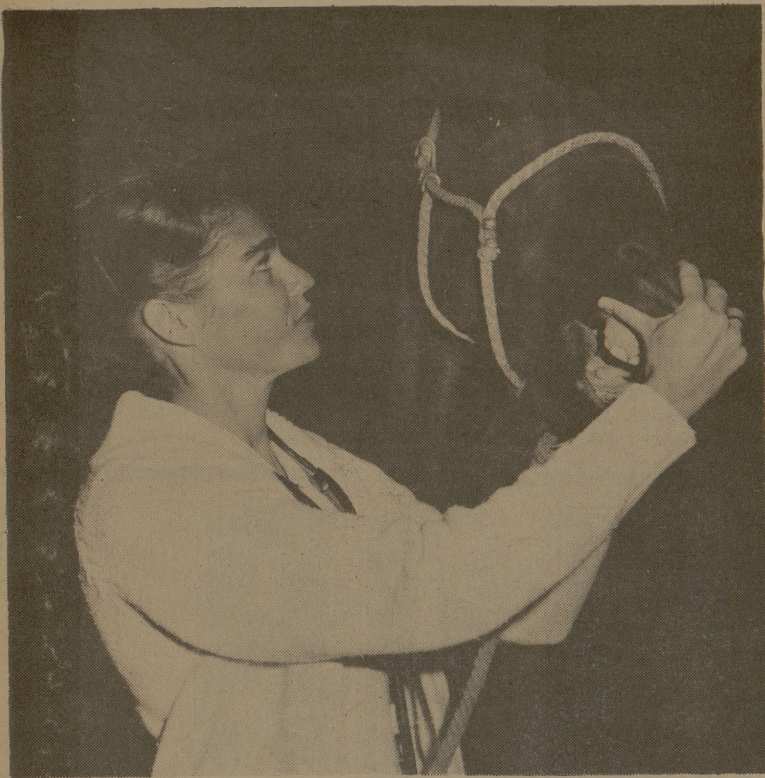
And the distinction is that of the 69 seniors to be awarded DVM degrees, she will be the only woman—the first in the 50-year history of the Texas A&M College of Veterinary Medicine.

Dr. E. D. McMurry, assistant to the dean in the A&M College of Veterinary Medicine, said Sonja has maintained a B average, which in this field is an enviable record and places her in the top half of her class. She received a BS degree in veterinary science in 1965.



TERRIER 'ON DUTY'

Molly, a five-pound toy terrier owned by Marjorie Morrison, a records clerk in the Department of Military Science at Texas A&M, peers from its post in the drawer of Miss Morrison's Desk. The terrier visits only on Friday afternoons and is careful to maintain military courtesy.



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Molly Included On Duty Roster

Guards stand watch tall and faithfully at Texas A&M.

The duty roster includes Molly, three-year-old fox terrier of Miss Marjorie Morrison in the Department of Military Science.

The records clerk often leaves the city on weekends, departing from the Trigon after work. The five-pound Molly goes to work with her Friday afternoon.

Kennel space is at a premium in the busy ROTC department, but Molly, named after "The Unsinkable Molly Brown," fits in well. She's only nine inches tall—and not much longer. Margie puts a towel in her middle desk drawer, opens it slightly and transforms the austere surroundings into a sentinel post.

Molly's the picture of military discipline, quiet, obedient, alert and watchful. She never strays from her post.

"She stays perfectly quiet unless someone rattles some keys or change," Miss Morrison remarked. Then, Molly sounds the alarm. "She hasn't bitten anyone yet."

The small black and white dog "is a good little watchdog," she added. "Her ears are so sensitive, and at home, if she hears something unusual, she leaps to her feet quickly."

A&M cadets walking guard perform well, knowing adequate replacements are available.

Oil Company Gives 2 Scholarships

Tenneco Oil Company of Houston has awarded Texas A&M two \$450 scholarships for petroleum and geological engineering students.

A&M President Earl Rudder announced establishment of the new scholarships.

Dr. Robert L. Whiting, Department of Petroleum Engineering Chairman, and Dr. Travis J. Parker, Department of Geological Engineering Acting Head, indicated scholarship winners will be announced soon.

"These scholarships will aid A&M in bringing the greatest over-all benefits to our programs and students," Rudder said.

"We appreciate Tenneco's interest in helping us extend our latitude in petroleum and geological engineering."

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