

'Miss Meal, Feed Multitude' Proposal Gets Green Light



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Duncan, Sbisa To Be Closed Friday Evening

The Student Senate's "miss a meal, feed a multitude" project is set for Friday, announced Senate President Jerry Campbell.

The program to raise funds for two South Vietnamese orphanages by closing the dining halls Friday evening was formally approved Monday by the university's faculty Executive Committee.

The committee, however, included provisions that any student desiring not to participate in the program will be served in a Sbisa Hall cafeteria line, provided he lists his name on a roster which will be available in the dining halls Wednesday and Thursday.

Campbell said more than \$2,000 can be obtained to buy food and other essentials for orphans at Tay Ninh and Rach Kein by foregoing the one meal which would normally be prepared for approximately 5,000 dormitory students.

The funds will be sent to two former students stationed near the orphanages for distribution, Campbell said.

The Civilian Student Council unanimously endorsed the project after a survey indicated backing by 92 per cent of both civilian and Corps students residing on campus.

Leon Travis, head of the Student Senate's Welfare Committee, is directing the "miss a meal, feed a multitude" drive.

151 Students To Run In March 28 Election

Two Offices Uncontested As Filing Ends

By BOB PALMER

More than 150 candidates have announced for the March 28 class elections, Tony Benedetto, election commission chairman, announced.

The election will be conducted in the basement of the Memorial Student Center from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Those filing for Senior Class president were William E. Bradford, Clarence T. Gore, Henry M. Johnson, Beverly E. Davis, Dennis J. Fontana.

CANDIDATES for social secretary are James A. Mobley and Bruce F. Baxter. Uncontested are Robert J. Buske for MSC Council representative and John M. Rowan for senior concessions manager.

Entered in the vice-president's race are Ira D. McCauley, Stephen A. Holditch, William A. McKean, Harold T. Welch, and Roger L. Engelke.

Elections commission candidates are Francis X. Gallant, Duncan P. Munn, Larry Napper, Glenn A. Davis, Charles B. Chestnut and Ray F. Grisham.

Those seeking the office of historian are Ronald C. Wise, Conrad M. Hein, Charles W. Wallis, Don Wayne Bonifay and Frank W. Burpo.

ROBERT J. FOLEY, Lonnie H. McGaughy, Stephen F. Petitfils, Orpha B. Thomas, Charles F. Schwab and David C. Southard are running for secretary-treasurer.

Yell leader candidates are Barney Dawson, Marshall Cox, Kenneth J. Edwards, Robert Segner, Russell L. Boggs, A. Phillip Callahan, Billy J. Youngkin and Robert L. Nida.

JUNIOR OFFICES Presidential candidates are John R. Gingrich, John C. Otto, Albert J. Reinert, Collier R. Watson, John F. MacGillis, John P. Maline, Robert L. Bowling and Allen D. Janacek.

Those running for vice-president are Edward V. Turley, Frank Montalbano, George Somerville, Charles M. McLean, Jimmy D. Dunham and Kenneth E. Graeber.

CANDIDATES FOR election commission are William V. Stephens, John R. Dreweim, Gerald Geistweidt, William H. Seele, Rex Eugene Stewart, Robert H. Dean, John M. Konopacki, Steven E. Cook, Jose F. Flores, Jose G. Velasquez, John H. Ward, and Ruston P. Chandler.

William H. Richard and Dean T. Eshelman have announced for MSC Council representative. Ronald B. Smith, James St. John and Ronald J. LaFevers are in the race for social secretary.

In the secretary-treasurer race are Richard J. Oates, Robert Van Ness, Mark A. Fairchild, Thomas C. Washburn and Daniel L. Swords.

THOSE RUNNING for junior (See Election, Page 2)

Library To Close During Shutdown

Electrical equipment maintenance Saturday will cut power to several buildings including Cushing Library.

Dr. James P. Dyke, director, said the library will be closed all day because of the power shutdown.

"We urge all persons who have need of the library materials to obtain them earlier or after Saturday," he said.

Cushing will be open at regular hours Friday and Sunday, Dyke added.

First Bank & Trust now pays 5% per annum on savings certificates. —Adv.



JUNIOR SWEETHEART
Nancy Jane Nilson, a junior majoring in elementary education in the University of Texas at Austin, was named Junior Class Sweetheart at Saturday's Junior Ball. She was escorted by Dennis Koop. (Photo by Dan Gable)

European Trips Planned By 26

A summer in Europe awaits at least 26 students and faculty participating in one of three Memorial Student Center Travel Committee programs, according to Dave Mayes, committee chairman.

The Experiment in International Living, a student exchange program founded in 1932, has accepted Frank W. Tilley of Jacksonville, senior industrial engineering major; Blaine S. Purcell of Wichita Falls, sophomore in veterinary medicine; Al Reinert of Fairfax, Va., sophomore in geology; Ronald L. Adams of Tyler, sophomore mechanical engineering major; and Jeanna Chastain of College Station, freshman in veterinary medicine.

The five Experimenters will spend the summer in one of four European countries, three of which are behind the Iron Curtain. Each will spend the first six weeks with a native family adjusting to a new language and unfamiliar customs.

The final four weeks the Experimenters will travel in groups of 10 on a guided tour of the country.

Tilley and Purcell are bound for West Germany; Miss Chastain, Czechoslovakia; Reinert, Russia; and Adams, Yugoslavia.

Four A&M students have been accepted by the International Association for the Exchange of Students for Technical Experience (IAESTE), an 8 to 12 week overseas employment program for students with technical majors.

Participating in IAESTE this year are Gary D. Sheffield of Texas City, junior architecture major; Agustain Fernandez of Eagle Pass, sophomore in chemical engineering; Christopher Kupper of Marlin, sophomore mechanical engineering major; and Ronald J. Cox of Danville, Ill., a fifth year architecture major.

IAESTE has placed Sheffield with an architecture firm in Trondheim, Norway; Fernandez with a chemical plant in Leon, Spain; Kupper with an engineering company in Scotland; and Cox with an architecture firm in London.

Sixteen students and faculty have signed to participate in one of several of the committee-publicized flights to Europe from Dallas and New York, Mayes said.

Students and faculty planning to spend this summer in Europe will have their last opportunity to take advantage of reduced air travel rates at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Memorial Student Center Social Room, according to Dave Mayes, chairman of the MSC Travel Committee.

"Flights still available are Dallas-London, June 3-Sept. 4 (\$373 roundtrip), and several New York-London flights leaving on different dates (\$245 roundtrip)," Mayes said.

"There are still seats available on some flights for A&M personnel," he said, "but they are rapidly dwindling."

He added that at least three of the sixteen were planning to incorporate a Russian tour in their travel plans.



DEADLINE NEARS
Mrs. Sylvia Herrera, Brazos County license clerk, issues 1968 car license plates to Maj. Thomas W. Comstock, assistant professor of aerospace studies. The license booth in the MSC is selling the plates through March 29. State law requires that new plates be in place by April 1. (Photo by Mike Wright)



ALL THE MARBLES
Sammy Garcia, Fish Drill Team commander, accepts the overall championship trophy of the A&M Invitational Drill Meet from Col. J. H. McCoy, commandant of the Corps of Cadets, after the team standings were announced. Assisting is Mitch Woodward, president of the Association of Former Fish Drill Team Members. (Photo by Dan Gable)

Fish Drill Team Takes First In A&M Invitational Tourney

The Fish Drill Team Saturday won A&M's annual Invitational Meet and received President Earl Rudder's approval to march in the National Intercollegiate ROTC Drill Championships at Washington, D. C., in April.

In a blanket finish with the Marion Guard of St. Mary's University and Sam Houston State's Loman Rifles, the Fish Drill Team took the overall championship by 3.45 points.

The A&M team scored 1,000.84 points out of a possible 1,250 in the day-long competition. St. Mary's totaled 997.39 and Sam Houston 995. Scores from inspection, basic and fancy drill competition were totaled to determine team standings.

Defending champion Sam Houston won first place trophies in basic and fancy drill. St. Mary's took third and second awards in the same phases and the A&M freshmen were tops in inspection and second in basic.

Third in the fancy phase went to the King's Rifles of Texas A&I.

Fish Drill Team Commander Sammy Garcia of San Antonio received the four-foot tall championship trophy from Col. Jim H. McCoy, commandant. It improved on A&M's 1966-67 team record, which included a runner-up finish to Sam Houston in the A&M meet. Last year's team was also second in the national championship.

Saturday's drill, which will be used in the Cherry Blossom Festival meet April 5-6, included the "Reese March" in honor of Maj. Calvin Reese, team sponsor who has resigned at A&M to accept a position at Ellington AFB, Houston.

MSC Group Visits LSU Union

A delegation representing the Memorial Student Center Council flew to Baton Rouge today for a fact-finding tour of Louisiana State University's new student union.

MSC Director Wayne Stark said the purpose of the trip, first of approximately four planned during the coming weeks, is to provide student, former student and faculty representatives a first-hand basis for making recommendations for the proposed \$6 million expansion of A&M's student union.

In addition to Stark, the LSU delegation includes Dr. Haskell Monroe, MSC Council faculty representative; Wayne Schmidt of Bryan, councilman representing former students; Wayne Prescott, student representative, and W. R. Matthews of Bryan, architect for the MSC expansion.

LSU opened its \$5.5 million student union approximately three years ago, Stark said.

Later trips are planned to the University of Oklahoma, Oklahoma State and the University of Houston, Stark said.

The MSC expansion is part of a \$12 million project which also will include a new auditorium to replace Guion Hall.

CHOICE '68 To Be Voted During April 24 Elections

Election date for CHOICE '68, a national presidential primary for American college students, has been set for April 24, according to Clarence Daugherty, student senator.

"I hope A&M students realize the effect this special primary could have if they take interest in it," he said.

"STUDENTS have an obligation to themselves, their school and their nation to make their choice for student officers and national leaders," he said.

The name of Governor George Romney has been removed from the ballot. CHOICE'S Board of Directors, composed of students from colleges across the nation, decided that Romney's decision February 28 to withdraw from the presidential race "left them with little alternative but to comply with the spirit of his announcement."

Romney's withdrawal reduces the number of candidates on the ballot to thirteen.

Romney's political philosophy of moderate conservatism, however, is expected to be well represented by the remaining candidates.

NORTHEASTERN University, of Boston, Massachusetts, was the first college in the U. S. to

Baptists, Methodists Lead In Religious Preferences

Texas A&M students claim denominational preference among 53 different faiths and sects, according to a survey by J. Gordon Gay, YMCA general secretary and religious life coordinator.

Almost 60 per cent of A&M's 10,907 spring semester students list affiliation with three faiths, however. Baptists number 2,308, 2,222 Methodist and 2,028 Catholic.

Gay, who has compiled denominational preference through most of his 40 years at A&M, said the 1968 listing varies little with previous years.

"It's usual for about half the student body to name Baptist and Methodist preferences," he said. Presbyterian, Lutheran, Episcopal, Church of Christ, Protestant, Christian, Moslem, Jewish faiths and the top three account for 96.5 per cent of A&M's spring enrollment.

The other 3.5 per cent name, among others, United Church of Christ, Mormon, Unitarian, Assembly of God, Hindu, Christian Science and Buddhist preferences. Thirty-three denominations listed by six or fewer students include Annenian, Baha'i, Christadelphian, Deist, Fundamental, Jain, Mennonite, Rosacruian, Zoroastrian and others.

Two students claim to be agnostics and one professed atheism.

vote in the CHOICE '68 election. On Feb. 16, over 2,500 students (out of a potential electorate of 4,000) participated in the primary.

LeRoy Wheelock, Jr., student body president, termed it "larger than any other election we can recall."

The ballot to be considered at A&M April 24 will include a list of presidential candidates and three referendum questions.

Two of the questions concern policy in Vietnam. The other pertains to governmental spending on America's "urban crisis."

Weather

Wednesday — Cloudy to partly cloudy, afternoon rain showers or thunder showers, winds Southerly 10-20 m.p.h. High 76, low 65.

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