

Weekend Program Features Author

Noted author Dr. Charles Shedd, whose book "Letters To Karen" has become a classic in the field of women and marriage will be speaking at First United Methodist Church, Wednesday and Thursday, Oct. 10 and 11.

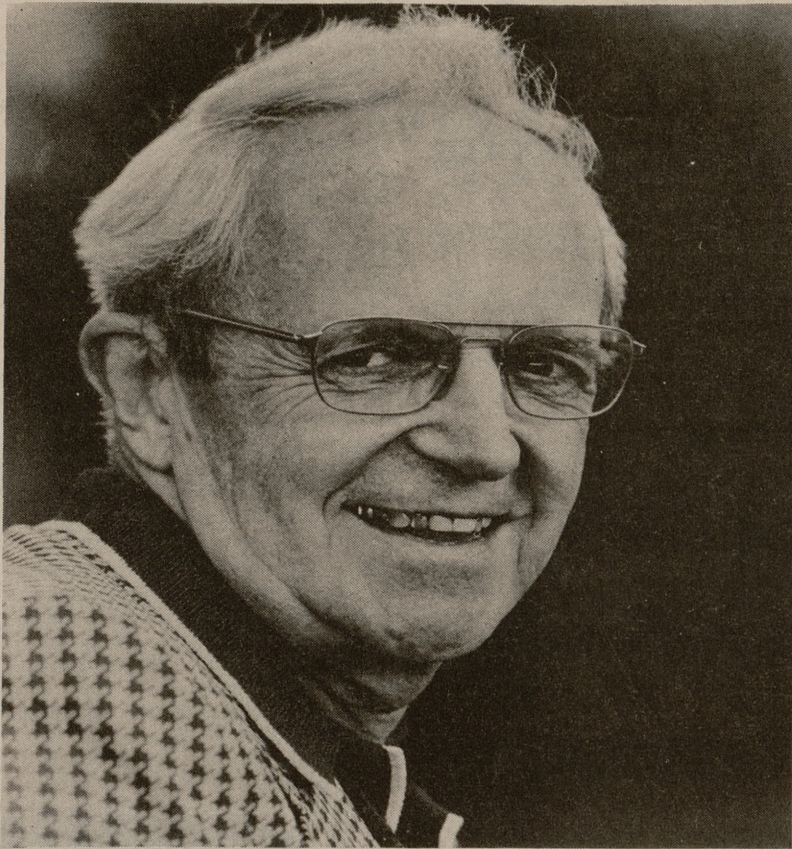
The program for Wednesday evening, 7:30 p.m., will involve a

dialogue for the whole family entitled, "If We're Such Dumb Parents, How Come Our Kids Are So Smart?" Following this, at 8:45 p.m., a "rap session" will provide the opportunity for a frank question and answer period with teens and Dr. Shedd. Thursday's activities will begin bright and early at 6:45 a.m., with a Breakfast for Father. Dr. Shedd will explore with the men the topic, "Some Things Only Dad Can Do." At 10 a.m. Thursday a Conversation with Mother on, "How to Get Your Husband to Communicate!" will conclude the two-day program.

Dr. Shedd's straightforward, witty advice on everything from adolescent sex to family democracy has been enjoyed and put into practice by millions. Through the impact of his lecture tours and best-selling books (LETTERS TO KAREN, LETTERS TO PHILIP, PROMISES TO PETER, THE STORK IS DEAD), Dr. Shedd makes people laugh, respond and — most important — make changes in their lives. His no-holds-barred willingness to address the realities of adolescent sex, marriage conflicts, parenthood and self-concepts both stirs controversy and makes people think.

Dr. Shedd has been writing for periodicals on the subject of family and interpersonal relationships for nearly 25 years. He is well known among young people for his sometimes startling, always straight-forward - from the - shoulder column in Teen Magazine: "Sex and Dating." During the four years when this column was regularly featured in Teen, he received letters from over 25,000 teenagers, with questions covering the entire gamut of youthful concerns.

Along with his writing, an extensive calendar of speaking engagements before church, school and civic groups, and a firm commitment to his own family life, Dr. Shedd has made appearances on national talk shows, been featured in an NBC special, and is presently heard on many radio stations across the country in his syndicated "Parent Talk" broadcasts.



CHARLIE SHEDD, noted author of Letters to Karen, will present a two-day program this weekend at the First United Methodist Church. (Photo by Gary Baldasari)

Computer Data Aids Planners

Urban planners will meet Friday at TAMU to hear Dr. Hugh Calkins, associate director of the Urban Systems Research Center at the University of Washington, discuss urban information systems.

Dr. Calkins is principal consultant to the State of Washington's Land Planning Project responsible for the development of that state's land information system.

Dr. Jesus Hinojosa, head of TAMU's Urban Planning Department, said Dr. Calkins will explain his department's use of computerized data sources to aid in planning decisions.

"This system is different from data storage banks," Dr. Hinojosa explained, "in that the information is continually updated and checked with a systematic analysis of projects using the information system."

"For instance," he continued, "a planner may come to the information system to get a project started, then he will continuously return to check his progress, and update the system's information following careful program monitoring techniques."

The accountability theory for policy analysis, which Dr. Calkins will discuss, enables a greater degree of people-involvement in planning projects which in turn allows for programs more responsive to the needs of the public, according to Dr. Hinojosa.

Dr. Calkins will speak in Room 301 of the J. Earl Rudder Conference Tower at 10 a.m. The public is invited to attend.

Bulletin Board

TONIGHT
Apolo Club will hold its first meeting at 5:30 p.m. at the Sabre Inn. Dean Powell will be the guest speaker.

Publicity and Fall Horse Show Committees of the Saddle and Sirloin Club will meet in the conference room of the Animal Industries building at 8 p.m.

Texas A&M Flying Club will meet in the Chemistry Building in Room 229 at 8 p.m.

Cepheid Variable Science Fiction Committee will hold a get-acquainted party after the business meeting at 208 Dellwood, Bryan. Carpools will form behind Law Hall at 7 p.m.

United Campus Christian Fellowship will hold a worship celebration in All Faiths Chapel at 7 p.m.

Panhandle Hometown Club will meet in Room 229 of the Memorial Student Center for the election of officers at 7:30 p.m.

Radio Committee will meet in the Student Program Office of the MSC in Rooms N and O at 7:30 p.m.

Freshmen Agricultural Society will meet in Room 102 of the Zachry Engineering Center at 7:30 p.m.

Accounting Society will hold their annual fall barbecue at 5:30 p.m. Maps are available at the Accounting Departments Office.

Association of Students from Mexico will meet in Room 226 of the MSC at 7:30 p.m.

Texas A&M Unicycle Club will meet in the MSC in Room 216 N at 7:30 p.m.

TAMU Horsemen's Association will meet in Room 215 of the A.I. building at 7 p.m. The guest speaker will be Dr. G. R. Greely, D.V.M.

Masters Business Administration, A&M chapter will meet in Room 107 in the old Biology building at 7:30 p.m. Tommy Dillon will be the guest speaker.

Clases de Ingles se daran gratuitas para principiantes los jueves a las 7:30 de la noche en casa de la Sra. Norman Erb, 1217 N. Ridgefield en College Station. Para mas information llame a 846-8659.

Grant Develops Eco Library

The Earhart Foundation has granted TAMU \$5,000 to establish and develop a graduate research library in economics, announced Dr. John W. Allen, department head.

The library will be in the Department of Economics on the fourth floor of the new eight-story University Education Center, according to Dr. James C. Miller III, associate professor of economics.

The facility will specialize in making available to faculty and graduate students various research materials, including current and past issues of professional journals, Miller noted.

Plans are to dedicate the library in honor of the late Prof. Charles E. Ferguson, renowned economics scholar and member of the TAMU faculty from 1968 until his death in January, 1972.

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China Fears Alliance

TOKYO (AP) — Three months after an American liaison office opened in Peking and despite continued people-to-people exchanges, the improvement in U.S.-Chinese relations appears to have slowed. The reason seems to be growing Chinese anxiety over moves by the United States and the Soviet Union to draw closer together, particularly over Western Europe.

This theme was first sounded by Premier Chou Enlai on Aug. 24 in his report to the 10th Communist party congress in which he saw a Western plot to free the Russians in Europe for adventures against China.

That line of thinking has been repeated in a series of editorials and was raised again in the speech Tuesday of Deputy Foreign Minister Chiao Kuanhua before the U. N. General Assembly in New York.

Peking's references to U.S.-China relations, which formerly were described in warm terms, have been muted since the party congress. Chou dismissed them in a single sentence, saying they "have been improved somewhat."

Chiao used the past tense in his long address, observing that China "started to improve her relations with the United States" on the basis of peaceful coexistence.

Allaying Chinese fears presumably will be one of the major objectives of U. S. Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger

when he goes to Peking later this month.

Chou saw the two superpowers as contending for domination of the world, with Europe as the focus.

"The declaration of this year as the 'Year of Europe' and the convocation of the European Security Conference indicate their contention is Europe," Chou said.

Chiao asserted at the United Nations that "there is only a travesty of peaceful coexistence between the Russian and Chinese."

Prof Avoids Summertime Heat By Studying Alaskan Glaciers

Meteorology professor Dr. A. H. Thompson has a cure for Texas' summertime heat.

He heads for Alaska.

Thompson spent the last half of the summer working in the glaciated areas between Juneau, Alaska, and Whitehorse, Yukon. He worked under auspices of a program developed by the Geology Department of Michigan State University and supported by the National Science Foundation.

"The program allows glaciologists the opportunity to make on-site studies of growing glaciers," the TAMU scientist said.

"It has become highly interdisciplinary and involves a variety of scientists from many organizations," Thompson added. "I became involved because many of the studies of glaciers and their environments depend on understanding the gradient of climate and weather conditions

across the glacier from the Pacific Ocean side to the Canadian side."

Undergraduate and graduate students participate in the program for training, experience and college credit. Several high school students are also involved.

Thompson gave lectures to program participants on basic meteorology with emphasis on energy exchange, in addition to his own investigations of arctic meteorology.

This was the fifth trip to Alaska for Thompson and his wife Ann. During their summer-long sojourn in 1972, the Thompsons camped for two months on a glacier while taking microscopic measurements.

"I had a hard time getting Ann to come home," Thompson laughed. "She liked everything about it except roping up cross glacier crevasses."

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