

# Campus briefs

## Observatory set up

Texas A&M and the city of Garland, Texas have joined to set up an urban observatory in that member of the Dallas-Ft. Worth metroplex. It becomes one of ten such facilities financed by HUD and the sponsoring cities with \$300,000 pledged for the three-year project.

"In each instance a university is paired with a city to develop a close working relationship that uses the expertise of the university to solve the problems of the city," explained Dr. Richard Thomas, head of the Center for Urban Programs at TAMU. "This is an out-growth of large city observation programs launched by HUD about four years ago. This new program provides the same sort of aid for cities in the 30,000 to 250,000 population range."

Problem areas currently being worked on include solid-waste disposal alternatives, an energy program to permit growth with energy conservation and greater citizen support for needed city projects.

Other cities selected for the innovative program are Allentown, Pa.; Anchorage, Alaska; Boise City, Idaho; Bridgeport, Conn.; Charlottesville, Va.; Durham, N. C.; Hoboken, N. J.; Lake Charles, La., and South Bend, Ind.

Thomas said that the Garland-TAMU arrangement was the only one in the nation where the participating university wasn't in the city it aids. A full-time, permanent staff of employees will represent TAMU in "... a full-time interface with the city." The program head in Garland will be Dale Burton who directs the Dallas office of the Center for Urban Programs.

A policy board of seven, four from Garland and three from TAMU, will direct observatory programs.

## Applications now accepted

The Texas City Management Association is now accepting applications for the 1975-76 Clarence E. Ridley Scholarship Honor Grant. Each year TCMA awards a grant (or grants) to a graduate student pursuing a course in study in a certified Texas college or university which leads to a career in urban management.

The grant includes \$2,000 to the recipient and \$500 to the graduate program of the school in which he enrolls. The latter must be applied to an urban management project developed by the graduate program director and approved by TCMA.

Application forms and information are available from TCMA, 1020 Southwest Tower, Austin, Texas 78701. Deadline for receiving applications is March 1, 1975. Award announcements will be made April 15, 1975.

## Language tests scheduled

The Graduate School Foreign Language Test (GSFLT) will be administered by the University on the following dates:

Test Date	Registration Deadline
February 1, 1975	December 20, 1974
April 12, 1975	February 28, 1975
June 28, 1975	May 16, 1975

Students desiring to take the GSFLT must register and pay fees for the examination prior to the registration deadline. This may be done at The Academic Counseling Center, Room 107 Academic Building.

## Weight loss credit offered

This spring you can lose weight and receive college credit, too. The Department of Health and Physical Education is offering a two hour activity course specially designed for the overweight co-ed. Only those with a definite weight problem will be permitted to enroll in the class. In addition to this activity class, Health and Physical is offering a one hour diet control class which will meet only one hour weekly.

Those who take the 10:00 Monday-Wednesday-Friday activity class will also take the one hour diet class. Those who take the 2:00 Monday-Wednesday-Friday activity class will have activity only. One of the diet sections will be for those who wish only to diet without an activity class. The schedule is designed to provide an opportunity for co-eds interested in weight control to learn about it and earn credit while they lose weight.

Enrollment in the combined activity and diet class includes one hour of required physical education (P.E. 101, 102, 201, 202); one hour of elective physical education (301, 302, 485); and one hour of elective health education (H.E. 485).

Those who take the activity only will receive one hour of required and one hour of elective physical education.

Those who take the diet class only will enroll in one hour of elective health education.

Additional information may be obtained by contacting Martha Merrell in the Human Performance Lab in G. Rollie White (5-5924).

## bulletin board

TODAY

AGGIE CINEMA will show "Go West" at 8 p.m. in the Rudder Theater.  
MSC DANCE COMMITTEE will meet in MSC 216 at 7:15 p.m.  
KAMU-TV CHANNEL 15 will air "A Conversation With Dr. Aelstun Spillhaus," on "Play, Wonder, Curiosity and Puzzle-solving" at 9:30 p.m.  
ALPHA PHI OMEGA will hold a smoker in MSC 229 at 7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY

TAMU WEIGHTLIFTING CLUB will meet in the G. Rollie White Weightroom at 7 p.m.  
CEPHIED VARIETEE SCIENCE FICTION/FANTASY COMMITTEE will show "The Point" in Rudder 701 at 8:00 p.m.  
ASSOCIATION OF STUDENTS FROM MEXICO will meet in Rudder 504 at 7 p.m.  
PHYSICS COLLOQUIUM will feature Dr. John W. Keto of Rice speaking on "Production Mechanisms and Radiative Lifetimes of Excited Molecules Important to the Argon and Xenon U. V. Lasers" at 4 p.m. in Physics 146.  
AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY will feature Dr. Donald S. Burnett, associate professor of Nuclear Geochemistry at 4 p.m. in Room 228 of the Chemistry Bldg.

BRAZOS ORNITHOLOGICAL SOCIETY will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Hospitality Room of the University National Bank.

MSC RADIO COMMITTEE will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Student Program Office.  
STUDENT GOVERNMENT RADIO will meet at 7 p.m. in the TAMU student government radio station.

LONGVIEW HOMETOWN CLUB will meet at 7:30 p.m. in room 305 of the Rudder Tower.

FRIDAY

MSC DANCE COMMITTEE will hold a dance from 8-12 p.m. at the Fiesta Club, \$1.50 per person.

PHYSICS COLLOQUIUM will present Dr. J. Serene of Stanford University speaking on "Thermodynamic Stability of the Superfluid Phases of Liquid He" at 4 p.m. in Physics 146.  
AGGIE CINEMA will show "The Way We Were" at 8 p.m. in the Rudder Auditorium.

MONDAY

MSC CAMERA COMMITTEE will hold an organizational meeting at 7:30 p.m. in room 301 of the Rudder Tower.  
SENIOR CLASS COUNCIL meets at 8 p.m. in room 308 of the Rudder Tower. All cards and money should be returned at the meeting.  
SOIL CONSERVATION SOCIETY meets at 7:30 p.m. in room 504 Rudder Tower. Mr. Dale Allen, state public information officer of the Soil Conservation Service, will speak.

TUESDAY

AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS CLUB will meet at 7:30 p.m. in room 112 of the Plant Sciences Building.

STUDENT EDUCATION ASSOCIATION meets at 7:30 p.m. in room 510 of the Rudder Tower.

ISSHINYU KARATE CLUB will give an exhibition at 7:30 p.m. in room 261 of G. Rollie White Coliseum.

AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF CHEMICAL ENGINEERS will meet at 7:30 p.m. in room 103 of the Zachry Engineering Center. Representatives from Alcoa will speak on the air pollution problems associated with the aluminum industry.

NURSING SOCIETY will meet at 7 p.m. in room 504 of the Rudder Tower. Lt. Barbara Kelley, a U. S. Army nurse, will speak.

WEDNESDAY

AIR FORCE STUDENT WIVES CLUB meets at 7:30 p.m. at the club house of the Oak Forest Mobile Home Park. New members are welcome.

PRE-LAW SOCIETY meets at 7:30 p.m. in the Rudder Tower.

THURSDAY

JUDO CLUB meets from 6 to 7:30 p.m. in the wrestling room at G. Rollie White Coliseum. There will be a demonstration by black belts. Registration for this semester will take place.

ISSHINYU KARATE CLUB will give an exhibition at 7:30 p.m. in room 261 of G. Rollie White Coliseum.



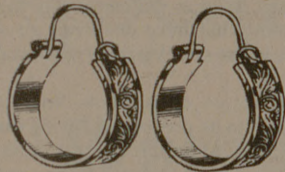
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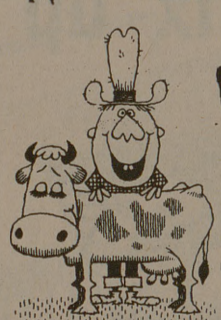
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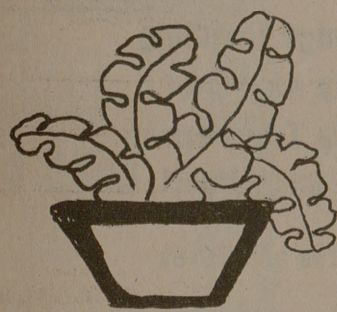
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