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# **ECOFAIR looks to the future**

## **ECOFAIR** series features experts

The Association of Student Chap-ters of the American Institute of Ar-chitects (ASC/AIA) in co-operation with the American Institute of Ar-chitects (ASC/AIA) in co-operation with the Artist in Residence Program is presenting a series of lec-

tures and discussions. Paolo Soleri, a Frank Lloyd Wright — trained architect, philosopher and artisan, will speak on his particular brand of architecture, based on organic principles.

Soleri served as an apprentice to Wright for 18 months and is the au-thor of "Arcology: The City in the Image of Man." ARCOLOGY is a word Soleri

coined as a fusion of two words: architecture and ecology. After many years of sketching and writing about cities and observing the condition and nature of urban man, he drew an analogy between the process of human development in an urban environment and the process of natural evolution.

He noted a tendency in nature for organisms of greater and greater complexity to take up smaller and smaller spaces.

The city structure must contract in order to support the complex activities within it, Soleri says.

He is presently building a selfcontained city in a desert in Arizona

Paul Rudolf, famed architect from New York will speak on "Space and Architecture. Graham Collier from the Univer-

sity of Georgia, will speak on "Art and Human Conscienceness." Prof. Collier is an artist, author and historian

Richard Lippold, internationally recognized sculptor, speaks on "Art and Illusion.

U. T. Professor Wolf Hilbertz will speak on "Evolutionary Environments, Biotecture and Symbiotic Processes

Athelstan Spilhaus who is an engineer, Oceanographer and Inven-tor will talk on "Future Design Priorities, Seaward Expansion, Underwater Cities." Austin-based building sculptor

Charles Harker will speak on concepts of "Building Curvilinear

Energy and Everyone" will speak on "Alternate Strategies for Global Energy Development.

Besides these, John Focke will speak on "Programming and Fastracking," some new concepts being studied. Dudley Watkins will speak on "Correctional Architecture," which deals with prisons and jails. Dusan Poniz from A&M will give his talk on "Geometry and Architecture.

The working model of a means of tapping solar energy will be demon-

type of thinking which considers many different factors at the same time while working toward solving a problem. His speech is entitled

of designing whole systems in relation to larger and smaller systems. His speech is on "Holistic Diversity in Holistic Design, Biohabitats.

"Integrative Food and Energy System

9 a.m.

MSC 212 & 224

Paul Rudolf

9:30 a.m.

**MSC 225** 

Will Pena

225 & 226

Athelstan

**Spilhaus** 

John Focke &

10 a.m. MSC

Monday

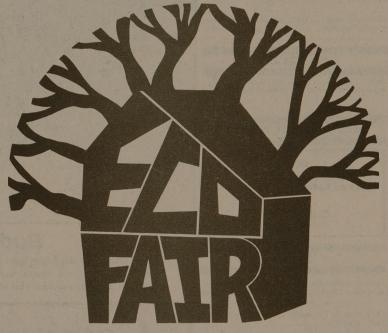
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strated by Peter Zweig and Dr. Davidson on top of the Zachry En-gineering Building. Rodney Hill will talk about the

"Lateral Thinking." Pliny Fisk considers the methods

Finally, Allen Seale discusses the



## Design symposium New, newer merge

Biotecture, underwater cities, curvilinear buildings and a solar energy workshop are among the topics to be brought together at TAMU next week in the first ECOFAIR.

ECOFAIR is the culmination of a two-year effort on the part of environmental design students to bring such a symposium to campus. The fair is sponsored by the Associa-tion of Student Chapters of the American Institute of Architects in cooperation with the Artist-in-Residence program and the College of Architecture.

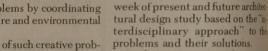
A geodesic dome-style egg, de-signed and built by TAMU graduate student Jocko Taylor, will appear in front of the MSC as part of the event

next week. ECOFAIR will include speakers, workshops and round table discussions

Friday afternoon, a special lunch in celebration of World Food Day will be featured. Although World Food Day is not until April 17, it will be included in next week's festivities because of its inherent relativity to what ECOFAIR is all about, explained Greg Watkins, student coordinator of the event. ECOFAIR will deal with solving

futuristic problems by coordinating week of present and future archite art, architecture and environmental design

An example of such creative problem solving is Wolf Hilbertz's work. Hilbertz has incorporated natural biological processes into building construction. For instance he has taken a structure frame, submerged



Students can register for \$1 April 4 through ECOFAIR week. Thisincludes participation in the World Food Day luncheon and a party Friday evening.

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Peter Zweig, faculty coordina-Debra Dockery, student coodinator of ECOFAIR tor of ECOFAIR

it, allowed calcium deposits to form around the frame and come up with a shell harder than present day man-made processes. Hilbertz will speak Wednesday afternoon.

ECOFAIR as "a necessary event to keep the department (environmental design) updated." Although new to A&M, such an event is by no means new to college campuses.

workshops, speakers, exhibits and people interacting with the envi-ronment. Though ECOFAIR has

more each year.

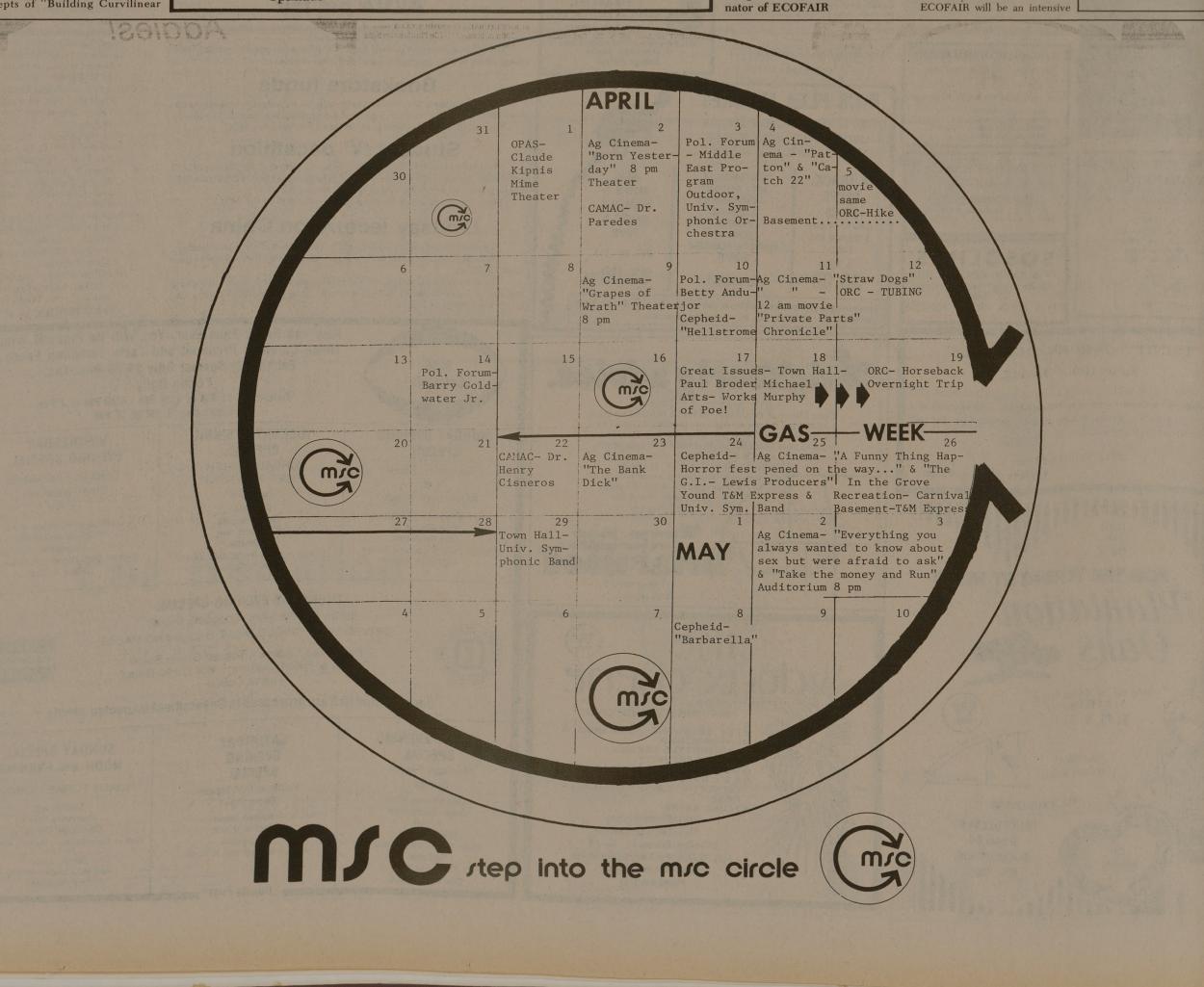
Class of 78, president: Dewey E. Brown, Jr., Ken Donnelly, Terry Ekeland, Alan Rollins, Mark Sicilio and Mark Toppert vice president: Lynn Bennett, Cyndi Davis, Marty Hutchinson and

Others run

Hoffacker

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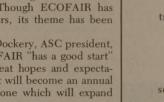


Coordinator Greg Watkins sees



### ECOFAIR was originally conceived as an outdoor festival of

gone indoors, its theme has been retained. Debby Dockery, ASC president, feels ECOFAIR "has a good start" and has great hopes and expectations that it will become an annual event and one which will expand



#### MSC 212 & 224 MSC 212 & 224 MSC 212 Graham Collier Richard Lippold Panel Discussion 3 p.m. 1 p.m. 11 a.m. **MSC 225 MSC 225**

11 a.m.

Dudley Watkins Dusan Poniz

1 p.m. MSC 225& 226 Wolf Hilbertz

**ECOFAIR** schedule of events

10 a.m.

MSC 225 Allen Seale

1:30 P.M.

Greg Watkins, student coordi-

nator of ECOFAIR