

# Metaphysics, chills offered in course

By MARILOU WOMACK

"See films for credit! Thrills, Chills, Metaphysics!" read the bright yellow posters appearing on bulletin boards around the campus. The signs refer to English course 89A, a three-hour course taught by Prof. Harriette Andreadis. Andreadis says the course is being advertised, because last semester enrollment totalled only 20 students. Next fall will be the third semester the course has been taught at A&M.

"I'm trying to instill an appreciation of how films work and how they affect us," Andreadis says.

She says she believes one reason for the low enrollment in the course is because people don't know about it.

"I also believe that some students in other departments, such as engineering students, feel hesitant about taking an English course. I'd like to have some engineering students in the class. I feel that they could present a different viewpoint," she added.

# Disabled-student money not available in summer

By PRESTON JONES

Scholarships for disabled students provided by the Texas Rehabilitation Commission (TRC) will no longer be available for summer sessions starting this year.

Don Gardner, representative for TRC at Texas A&M, said Friday that there will be a change in the philosophy of TRC starting July 1.

Gardner said, "our commissioner and his representatives feel that we need to cut back somehow in order to save money, so the college program is one of the programs that is going to be suffering."

Gardner said that a lack of funds was the main reason for the cut in financial aid.

"We have been getting the same amount of appropriations for the past three years and we are probably serving three times as many people than we did three years ago," Gardner said.

"It stands to reason that you are either going to have to run out of money sooner every year, or you are going to have to cut funds," he said.

# Led Zeppelin has trouble with versatility

By PAUL MUELLER

*Presence*, the long-awaited new album from Led Zeppelin, finally arrived in the stores last month. I am sorry to report that it has not been worth the year's wait since their last album.

Led Zeppelin consists of four members: Jimmy Page, lead guitarist; Robert Plant, lead vocals and harmonica; John Paul Jones, bass and keyboards; and John Bonham, drums.

Their first two albums are classic collections of heavy metal music and electric blues, and they sound as good today as they did when they were released. After this initial blast, the band began to experiment with some new types of music, including ballads, acoustic love songs, and even 1950s-style rock 'n' roll. Until recently, Led Zeppelin has had no trouble demonstrating its musical creativity and versatility, but judg-

## Review

ing by *Presence*, the old inspiration is finally gone.

It pains me to write such a put-down of this album, since the Zep's earlier works are among my favorite records. But the fact is that *Presence*, for the most part, is just not worth the trouble of listening to. Its most obvious fault is that all the songs are too long. There's nothing wrong with a long song, as long as it doesn't get monotonous, but with a couple of exceptions, these songs are boring. The other two faults are Jimmy Page and Robert Plant. Page's guitar playing rarely shows the speed and imagination that made him one of the best rock guitarists in the world a few years ago, and Plant's once-powerful vocal style has degenerated into a sort of high-pitched whine that's pretty hard to take for a whole album.

# Ags are concrete-canoe champs

A band of civil engineering students and faculty returned to Texas A&M Monday from Kansas as undisputed champions of Midwest concrete canoe racing.

Four Aggie students and two professors brought back team trophies, a plaque for the best course time of 3:14.0 and the coveted traveling trophy denoting the Aggies as best concrete canoeist in an eight-state region.

Students John Bugge and Phil Goode of Brownsville won the finals of student competition at Kansas State University, beating all comers in the event in the Mideast Region sponsored by the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE).

The region includes Texas, Arkansas, North Dakota, Colorado, Kansas, Nebraska, Missouri and Utah.

Bugge, Goode, along with San Antonio students Jim Dunderstandt and Robert Worley, and professors Howard Furr and Calvin Woods, trekked to Manhattan, Kan., after winning the ASCE Texas championship in April.

Dunderstandt and Worley marked the fastest time of the meet and won their semifinal match, but were disqualified after changing lanes.

The faculty members finished



**HEAVY WIN** — Texas Aggies Jim Dunderstandt and Robert Worley of San Antonio paddle Texas A&M's concrete canoe to the fastest time.

fourth. Worley, president of The Texas A&M student chapter of ASCE, said he plans to contact the society to determine if any type of national contest is planned.

The canoe entered by Texas A&M weighed in at 131 pounds, about half the weight of one entered in Texas competition last year. The canoes, although completely made of concrete, must float when flooded.

# Kerrville Festival features various singers, workshops

The fifth annual Kerrville Folk Festival will be presented May 27-30 at Kerrville, Tx., featuring some 200 writers, singers, yodelers and musicians.

The event includes a mixture of traditional and contemporary Texas music, folk, country, Bluegrass, ragtime, blues and old time fiddling. Performers Peter Yarrow, Guy Clark, Chubby Wise and Patsy Mon-

tana will be some of the artists included in the festival, located 60 miles west of San Antonio. Various workshops and contests will also be offered.

For ticket, camping, motel and concert schedule information, write Rod Kennedy, Box 1466, Kerrville, Tx. 78028, and enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope.

# Syria attacks U.S. policy

Associated Press

BEIRUT, Lebanon — Syria attacked the American peacemaking effort in Lebanon today as Lebanese, Moslem and Christian forces hammered at each other with tanks, heavy artillery and rockets.

The Damascus newspaper Al-Baath, the organ of Syria's ruling Baath Socialist party, called on all "allied and friendly" forces in Lebanon "to foil the destructive mission" of President Ford's special envoy, L. Dean Brown.

Brown and the Ford administration have been supporting Syrian efforts to end the war and prevent a leftist Moslem victory that would reduce Lebanon's former Christian rulers to a powerless minority.

But today the official Syrian paper charged the United States with "aiming at the partition of the Lebanon and at foiling the Syrian peace initiative in that country." It accused the leader of the Lebanese leftists with "cooperating with the imperialists to materialize the partition."

I mentioned a couple of exceptions. One of these is "Nobody's Fault But Mine," probably the most popular cut on the album. Here Page's guitar finally comes to life, and Plant's singing and harmonica playing begin to show some of the guts they used to have. Another good cut is "Tea For One," a slow blues number on which Page demonstrates the blues guitar style that he built his reputation.

Whatever it was that caused the decline of Page's and Plant's musical skills, it doesn't seem to have affected Bonham and Jones. Their playing on *Presence* is as good as it has been on Led Zeppelin's earlier albums, and may be even better.



**KENNETH DAVID'S**  
of AUSTIN

FULL SERVICE UNISEX SALON

410 S. TEXAS COLLEGE STATION      RAMADA INN 846-1441

MAKE HAPPY COTTAGE HEADQUARTERS FOR MOTHER'S DAY GIFTS

**HAPPY COTTAGE**

809 E. 29th

3 blocks from City National Bank

**Sun Theaters**

333 University      846-9808

The only movies in town.

Special Midnight Shows Friday & Saturday \$2.00 per person

No one under 17.

Escorted Ladies Free

ALL SEATS \$3.

\$1 off with this ad.

# GOODTIME

# Charlie's

★

**"TUESDAY NIGHT SPECIAL"**

**ALL BAR DRINKS 75c PLUS**

**MUGS OF BEER 40c & 50c**

**OPEN 7:00 P.M.**

807 TEXAS AVE.      846-9513

No Cover Charge

Can't be with Mom this Mother's Day? Send her a big hug with flowers by wire through Aggieland Flowers.

And remember to order your corsage or boutonniere for the Boot Dance.



Aggieland

Flower & Gift Shop

209 University

**NOW BUYING USED BOOKS**

**LOUPOT'S**

Northgate - Across from Post Office

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY TOWN HALL SERIES presents


the texas a&m UNIVERSITY SYMPHONIC BAND

IN AN OPEN AIR PERFORMANCE

# May 6

12:45-1:30 by the Rudder Fountain

Joe McMullen  
Conductor



**Isadora and Her Avocado Plant.**



©1976 California Avocado Advisory Board, Newport Beach, California

We'll send you a free booklet on Avocado Seed Growing if you'll send us 25¢ for handling and postage. Address it: Seed Growing, P.O. Box 2162A, Costa Mesa, CA 92626. Allow 4-6 wks for delivery. Offer expires Dec. 31, 1976.

**INSIDE EVERY CALIFORNIA AVOCADO THERE'S A FREE TREE. AND SOMEONE TO TALK TO.**



**NEED EXTRA CASH?**

Become a Plasma Donor at

**PLASMA PRODUCT INC.**

313 College Main, College Station

Cash given with each Donation.

abc **INTERSTATE Theatres**

UNIVERSITY SQUARE SHOPPING CENTER 846-6714 & 846-1151

**CINEMA** The Most Devastating Detective Story Of This Century.

**REDFORD/HOFFMAN**

**"ALL THE PRESIDENT'S MEN"**

SORRY, NO PASSES

OPEN AT 7:15

**CINEMA** FIVE ACADEMY AWARDS

**JACK NICHOLSON**

**"ONE FLEW OVER THE CUCKOO'S NEST"**

OPEN 7:15 NO PASSES

A Fantasy Film      Released thru United Artists