

Art wins awards

# Artist likes wildlife scenes

By PAT SADBERRY

Whatever the artist makes it, Barbara Sexton, explaining how she feels about the paintings, sketches and sculptures she has made.

The 20-year-old Texas A&M student from Ft. Worth is employed at the Center for Marine Resources. She began winning awards for her art when she was seven years old.

Sexton said she has won awards for work on two occasions in the Northgate Art Show.

"I was sitting quietly appraising the work I had done so far, when my Irish Setter, Princess, came galloping into the room. Before I could stop her, she had her big paws in

oil paint," Sexton said. "Then she became very affectionate and smeared paint all over my clothes and everything."

Sexton said the dog destroyed the canvas and then ran all around the room trying to prevent being caught.

Art is Sexton's hobby. "I can't afford to be a full-time artist, for economic reasons," she said.

"I realize that design artists and commercial artists make a decent living, but the market for such professionals is very crowded."

She said she makes all the gifts she gives for Christmas and birthdays.

Sexton said art has always been an emotional release for her. "Children should be encouraged to develop art skills, if for no other reason (than emotional release)."

"I know that I can't please everybody with my art," she said. "And I don't paint for that reason. Art is a very personal matter, a matter of self-expression."

Sexton said she sold her first painting when she was a student at Eastern Hills High School in Ft. Worth. "When another person can enjoy something I paint, it doubles my satisfaction."

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# Faith and a prayer move an elevator

By EDITH CHENAULT

With faith in God can move mountains, Mrs. Bryan in this case, for Mrs. Bryan.

Mrs. Bryan is one of the persons interviewed by students in the cultural geography course at Texas A&M University this semester. The assignment was to interview long-time residents of Brazos County and get their reactions and opinions about life.

Mrs. Bryan, born in 1896, said in an interview that she has an elevator installed in her home in Bryan. As she was preparing to leave for a Ladies' Circle Meeting at the study she had, the elevator got stuck with her inside.

Her first thought was to panic, because her son had already made his necessary visit and wasn't due back until the next day. Nor was she expecting a company for the rest of the day.

But she calmed down and concluded to pray that her daughter-in-law would be able to get her out.

law, who lived next door, might come outdoors and hear her yell.

About six or seven minutes after her prayer, Mrs. Bryan had a feeling that her daughter-in-law was outside and began yelling. A short time later her daughter-in-law found her and got her out. Later, Mrs. Bryan asked her daughter-in-law why she had come outside; she said that she had been preparing to wash her hair when she got the strangest feeling that she must go outside.

Mrs. Bryan said of the incident, "If anybody says that they don't believe in prayers, I don't even listen to them."

It seems like all of Mrs. Bryan's other prayers have been answered, especially those having to do with illness.

She was asked to be the principal of a Bryan Baptist school when she broke her ribs. With her unusual faith, she prayed, "Lord, if you want me to do this, I have to be healed." A couple of days later she was healed and was able to function as the principal, she said.

Her main purpose in life was to spread the gospel, she said. Even though she enjoyed living on earth, she could not wait until the day she would be with her Lord.

# Health program to be offered over the summer

Health maintenance classes for adults continue into the summer at Texas A&M University.

Two classes, which will start May 17, are available for men and women who want to remain physically fit. They are operated under auspices of the Health and Physical Education Department.

The programs were initiated for Texas A&M faculty-staff, but are open to people of the community on a limited basis. Dr. George Jessup said all classes are restricted to 40 participants.

A noon figure-control class for men will have two sections. One section will meet on Mondays and Wednesdays, the other on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

An evening program is recommended for men and women over 35. Sessions are Monday and Wednesday from 5 to 6 and 7 to 8 p.m., and Tuesday-Thursday 5 to 6 p.m.

Moderate fees are assessed. New members meet May 17 in the G. Rollie White Coliseum annex 255. Information and registration forms are available from Jessup in the Health and Phys Ed Department.

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# Retired professor sets up ag engineering scholarships

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Director of Development Robert L. Walker said the \$400 scholarships for upperclassmen will become effective for the 1976-77 school year. Professor and Mrs. Jones made the \$12,000 endowment, with Dr. Edward Hiler, head of the Agricultural Engineering Department in attendance.

Professor Jones joined the staff at Texas A&M in 1921 and in 1940 was named head of agricultural engineering. In 1946 his duties were expanded to include overall supervision of research and extension as well as instruction. When he retired in 1958, approximately 750 students had received graduate and undergraduate degrees in agricultural engineering during his tenure.

He authored the textbook "Farm

Gas Engines and Tractors" published in 1932, 1938 and 1952. He is a life member of the American Society of Agricultural Engineers, of which he has been a member since 1917.

Jones also is a member of the American Society of Engineering Education, Alpha Zeta, Tau Beta Pi, Phi Kappa Phi and is a registered professional engineer in Texas.

Prof. Jones was recipient of the 1959 John Deere Medal for his notable services to his profession and was cited as "one of the great teachers and administrators the agricultural engineering profession has produced."

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