

# Local politics stressed in External Affairs

## SUTTON

Phil Sutton, 20, Senior, Finance, Business Administration, is a member of the External Affairs Committee. The past year I have served as a member of the External Affairs Committee. I chaired the subcommittee assigned to research the Traffic Extension issue and in the course of this research was able to establish a working relationship with the City Council, city manager



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and a number of the local merchants and businessmen. A bill concerning this issue (77-041-13) was passed by the Student Senate and I have presented it to the City Council to be considered on April 5. Two weeks ago I attended the TSA convention in Austin where a number of issues important to the students of Texas are studied along with legislation pending in the State Legislature which would affect students. The role of V.P. External Affairs should be held by a student who can articulate the opinions of students to the Board of Regents, the University Administration, to city, state and national government, and to anyone who has an effect upon the lives of students. I feel that I am qualified to do so at all of these levels.

How would you evaluate the Texas Student Association and the National Student Lobby as they pertain to TAMU?

The Texas Student Association has been very effective in lobbying students in the state legislature. A number of the activities or programs recently initiated at A&M have been aided by information supplied by the TSA. Although TAMU is not as active in the National Student Lobby, we have benefited from their information gathering and disseminating services. I would strongly support the involvement of freshman and sophomore students in these organizations to enable

them to be prepared to accept leadership positions in their junior and senior years.

Should students become involved in city or county government? If so, how?

This is one issue I really get hot about. City and county administrators argue that students should not become involved or have any say in local government because they are basically "transients" with no ties to the community. This is patently ridiculous because what would Bryan-College Station be without Texas A&M and its students? It would be fair to wager that North Zulch and Snook might be the largest communities in Brazos County. Anything affecting B-CS affects the students of A&M both now and in the future and to say that the students have no control over the destiny of the area shows a lack of consideration of the problem. There is only one way students can force local governments to hear their opinions and that is to vote. Students should become informed about local government and use this information to support their better interests at the ballot box where it counts. Next year the city precinct that includes Kreuger-Dunn-Mosher-Aston and the Corps dorms is coming up for re-election and I would like to see a massive voter registration drive to try to get a student elected to the City Council. Mary Ellen Martin has done an excellent job as student liaison with the City Council and this type of advocacy should certainly be continued.

Would you be in favor of a Texas A&M Systems student organization, in light of its narrow defeat last year?

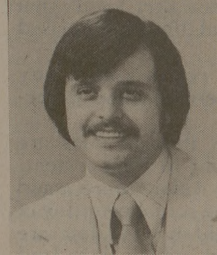
I would be in favor of any organization which attempts to consolidate the students and make their voice heard. Currently, the External Affairs Committee performs much the same function as a student organization. I would certainly be in favor of a concerted effort by the External Affairs Committee, Hassle-Free, the RHA and the now-forming Off-Campus Students Association to articulate the opinions of all students to those who affect their lives.

## MARTINEZ

Joe A. Martinez, 21, Junior, Political Science, Hebbronville.

What are your qualifications for VP External Affairs?

I am a student senator representing the College of Liberal Arts, Junior Class. I am a member of the City Relations subcommittee as well as Legislative Affairs subcommittee, under the External Affairs branch. I have worked in the area of Academic Affairs. This fall, I represented Texas A&M at the Student Legal Rights Conference held at



Joe Martinez

Kansas State University, Kansas City, Mo.

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I see these organizations as extremely beneficial. These groups provide universities such as TAMU with the necessary information to implement effective policy.

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Yes, this is a major item on my platform. While student attempts to become involved in College Station local city government have to date been fairly sufficient, I feel it is essential that A&M students realize their voting potential and elect a student as a member of the College Station City Council in the immediate future. College Station city government is important to the students, but Bryan city government cannot be ignored. I plan to pay particular attention to development of a full communication program between College Station and Bryan city governments and students at TAMU.

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Such an organization would be invaluable in the fostering interchange of information between TAMU and its system's schools. I would be in favor of allowing delegates from Prairie View, Tarleton State, and Moody College the opportunity to participate in TAMU student government. The schools are a part of the A&M system. Why not allow them to participate in decisions here at A&M which may affect their schools?

## FLEER

Philip Fleer, 20, Sophomore, Landscape Architecture, Snyder.

What are your qualifications for VP External Affairs?

My professional interests (Urban and Regional Planning) lie in the area of local politics. I am very much interested in seeing that students organize their political voice and be able to determine local government to the students' advantage. I have been in Student Government for one and a half years as an Execu-

tive Aide and as a Senator for the College of Architecture. Also, I have participated in College Station affairs—city council meetings, the Student Government defense of the ward system earlier this year, and



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particularly the College Station Zoning Board.

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The TSA and NSL represent college students and institutions of higher learning in general. They are valuable only as far as they are able to represent students of Texas and America collectively.

Should students become involved (See "Fleer," page 4)

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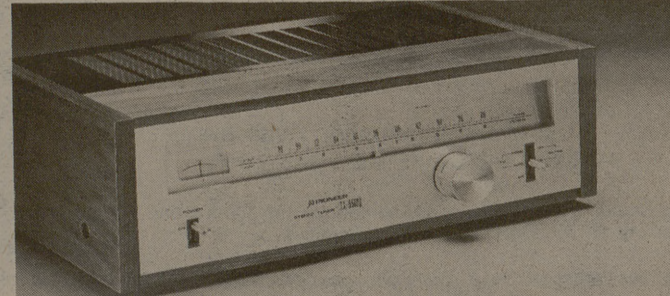
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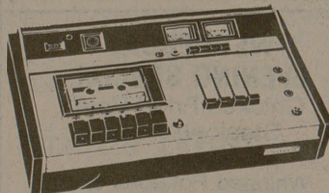


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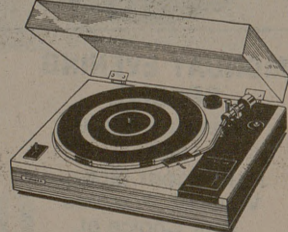
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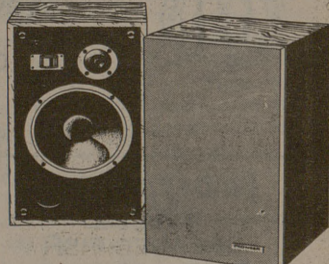
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