

More orientation

New program aids students in coping

Texas A&M University students experience problems coping with college life in general have Friday to register for a program called "Orientation Continuum."

Primarily geared for the new student but open for all, the program has been developed as an addition to summer orientation sessions and concentrates on relating skills needed to cope.

Students may sign up for the free sessions in room 108 of the YMCA building by 5 p.m. Friday, said

Karen Switzer, student development coordinator. The sessions are held each Tuesday from 12:30 to 2 p.m. in room 230 of the Memorial Student Center beginning Sept. 13 and concluding Nov. 8.

The first topic of discussion is success in the classroom. Chemistry Prof. Rod O'Connor will present a talk entitled "Studying Without Wheel-Spinning."

Future meetings examine living with pressure, explain campus resources and define the university said Switzer.

Investigator specializes in job mannerisms

United Press International
NEW YORK — Private investigator Andrea Forrest once asked a worker if he had ever received stolen property and he suddenly stopped tapping his foot on the rug.

When she turned out he was wearing socks.

Reading "body language" — the clues and mannerisms that often reveal more about someone than they say — is Andrea Forrest's specialty for prying into people's secrets.

Diamond importers, banks, real estate chains and other security-minded organizations send hunters to her Manhattan office to undergo grueling interviews and detector tests aimed at uncovering criminal tendencies or just excessive habits, like drinking and smoking.

"People love to tell you about their past," the attractive 30-year-old said. "One fellow was so eager to believe a story about a burglary he once committed he gave me his parole officer's phone number."

"I always offer an avenue of escape," she said. "One man confessed to an unsolved murder. I just said, 'Well, it wasn't a cop, was it?' He said, 'Oh, no it wasn't a cop.'"

She later relayed details to police. In her conversations, Miss Forrest listens very carefully not only to what people say, but how they say

it. And she scrutinizes their smallest movements.

"Pauses mean a lot," she said. "I asked one fellow if he ever committed an armed robbery. He was silent for a few seconds and finally said no. He was thinking about the unarmed robbery he had pulled off."

Other clues people give, she said, include "feigning deafness" to stall for time, rubbing their noses to show some sort of inner conflict, closing their eyes to blot out unpleasant memories and uncrossing their legs just before telling a lie.

"If they uncross one leg and then cross the other over the first, it's known as a doublecross, and that means they're about to come up with a real whopper," she said.

She said she's learned so much about body language a major publisher has asked her to write a book on the subject.

Miss Forrest began her career in investigative work four years ago as a department store detective and says she "made more apprehensions than they'd ever seen."

Soon, she was security director for a big clothing chain and helped reduce theft losses by 80 per cent. A few months ago she joined the Greenburg Protection and Investigation Agency and her boss says she's already tripled business.

The female private eye attributes her success to her love of people.

Smokes, booze ads banned in Oklahoma school dress code

United Press International
GLENCOE, Okla. — Beer emblems on T-shirts indicate approval of beer drinking, just as Bibles in the schools show acceptance of the Good Book's contents, say school officials in this small northern Oklahoma town.

Violation of a new dress code which bans advertisement of cigarettes, beer or other alcoholic beverages has resulted in a teen-aged brother and sister being temporarily banned from the school's athletic program.

Gene Robinson, 16, wore a T-shirt to school Friday with the word "Budweiser" on it, and his sister Kerry, 15, wore a shirt with the word "Coors."

Robinson said the label on his sister's shirt was "about the size of a small bottle lid," and she offered to wear the shirt inside out the rest of the day but the compromise was rejected so she went home.

"For us to allow such dress would be the same as tacitly approving use

of alcoholic beverages or smoking," Principal Paul Pettigrew said.

No smoking or drinking is allowed on the school grounds.

Pettigrew said the two students had been "isolated" from athletics and other extracurricular activities until they agreed not to wear the shirts again. He said the activities ban would not be permanent unless they refused to comply with the dress code.

Robinson also said he was told he would be isolated in a separate classroom if he wore the shirt again.

The students' mother, Mrs. Don Robinson, plans to take her protest before the school board tonight.

Pettigrew said the dress code followed a court decision stating Gideon Bibles placed in schools "gave tacit approval to the contents."

He added, "That would be in violation of some of the earlier decisions, and we can't do that, and the same thing goes with the beverage advertisements. We can't condone smoking or drinking, and won't

allow anything in the school that suggests either."

The dress code was altered this summer to exclude the beer and cigarette advertisements.

Status for gypsies asked by U.N.

United Press International
GENEVA, Switzerland — Gypsies have finally gained international status.

The U.N. subcommittee on Human Rights adopted a resolution Wednesday asking that "those countries, which have gypsies within their borders, give them the full rights to which they are entitled."

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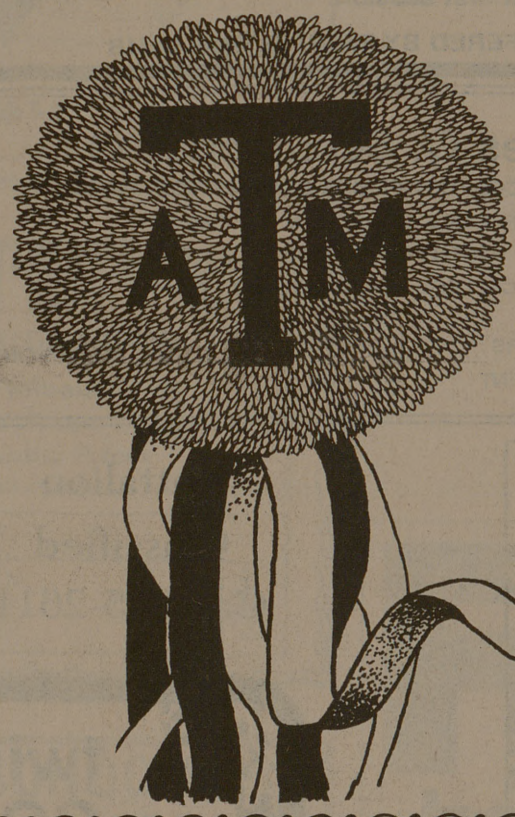
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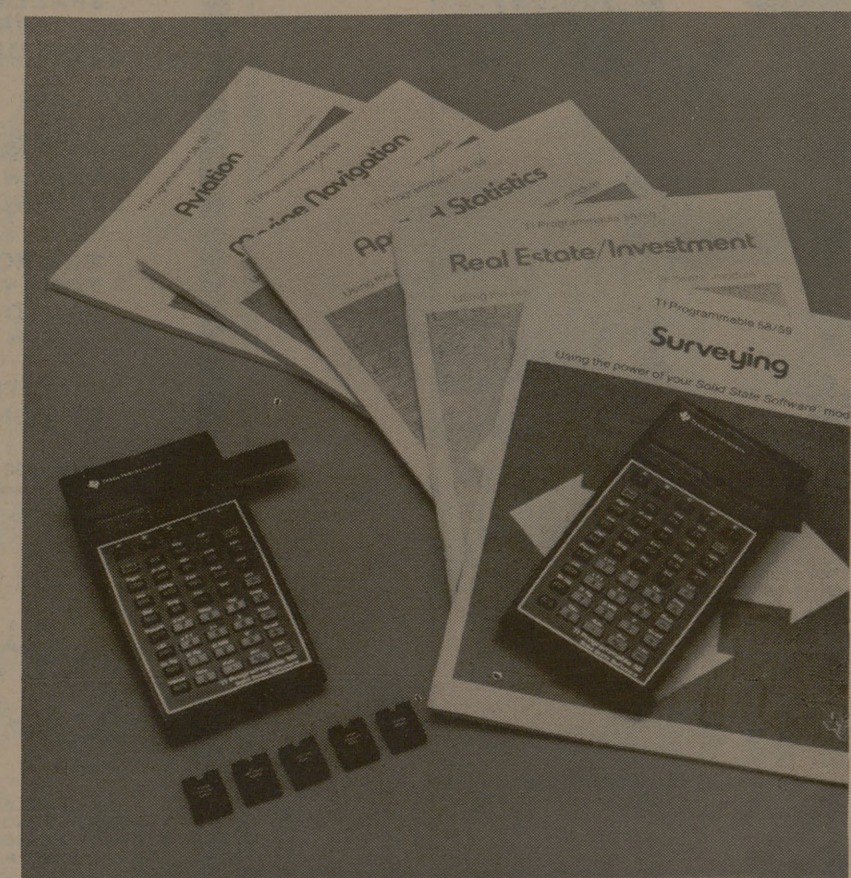
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