Mortar Board accepts Cap & Gown Society

By MARK HERRON **Battalion Reporter**

Six years of maintaining high d Gown Society.

Ann Stehling, president of Cap nd Gown, a senior honor society. id the Texas A&M University stalled in April.

Stehling, a marketing major from io Hondo, said a minimum GPR of 25 is required for membership in Cap and Gown. The 32 chapter nbers also provide services such placement seminars for jobking seniors.

Last year the Cap and Gown Soety applied for affiliation with ortar Board, Stehling said.

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Gaining membership to Mortar A&M Cap and Gown Society rex years of maintaining high dards has paid off for the Cap Rives. "The Mortar Board is concerned with three principles: lead-

ership, scholarship and service. 'The acceptance into Mortar Board is evidence that Texas A&M's apter has been accepted to scholastic standards are recognized nationally," said Cap and Gown advisor David Benson.

To meet a Mortar Board require-ment, Cap and Gown had to be a recognized campus organization for five years, Rives said. The Texas A&M chapter also had to maintain certain scholastic standards and provide service projects for other students

Last spring, the expansion coor-dinator for Mortar Board, Marylu apter of Cap and Gown, said McEwen, toured the campus and ortar Board is a nationally recog- evaluated the performance of Cap evaluated the performance of Cap

McEwen said she was impressed with what she saw. "The Texas

Board is a distinct honor for Texas A&M's Cap and Gown Society, said Biene Strate Cap and Cown Society, said Board," she said

The Mortar Board sent a notice of acceptance to Cap and Gown last December, but Stehling said her group will be officially installed April 8, in a ceremony at Texas A&M.

The Cap and Gown Society will pay the Mortar Board \$250 for an installation fee. Individual members will pay \$20 to join Mortar Board. Other Texas schools affiliated with Mortar Board are: Baylor, TCU, North Texas State, SMU, Texas Tech, Trinity, TWU, the University of Houston and the University of Texas.

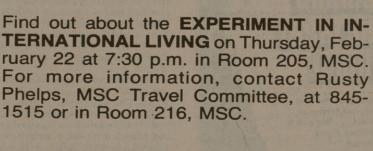
'It's important to be affiliated with the Mortar Board because our chapter can exchange ideas with other chapters, and that will help in the development of new programs, Stehling said.

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