

New Xerox machines convenient, profitable

By ERIN BECKERS
Battalion Reporter
Students in the Commons dorms and on the north side of campus no longer have to walk to the library for use of a copying machine. Now, each area has its own new Xerox machine and, according to area coordinators, the copiers have satisfied an apparent need.
"The demand has been a lot higher than what was expected,"

said Commons Area Coordinator W.J. Ferris. Since the machine was installed in the front of the Commons in September, there has never been a problem of meeting the minimum number of copies — 7,610 — required to pay for the rent of the machine.
"We're well pleased with the operation," Ferris said. "It looks like we have met a need."
There has also been a great use of

the machine on the north side of campus in Lounge A-1, said Paul Henry, assistant area director. Since the installation two weeks ago, about 9,000 copies have been made.
Profits from that machine will go toward lounge improvements, said Matt Bielamowicz, Resident Housing Association committee member for the indoor recreation facilities.
"It looks like it's going to pay for everything itself, plus maybe a little left over, he said. He has had the idea for the copier since last year, he said. "It's really something we really did need and it's working out well," he said.

A special account for the Commons machine was made in the student finance center and Ferris said "any money collected is deposited there to pay for rental and supplies."
Bielamowicz said one lounge improvement that might be made is better lighting for the study lounges, which are only bright enough for television viewing.
New coin changing machines are part of both of the new machines. Dollar bill changers can be found in the laundry room at the north side of campus, the Memorial Student Center or the library.

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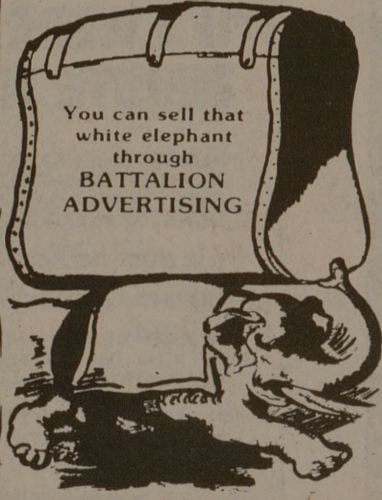
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Friday

AGGIE PLAYERS: Bertolt Brecht's play "Threepenny Opera" will be performed at 8 p.m. in the Rudder Theater. Ticket prices are \$2 for Texas A&M students and \$3 for all others.

TENNIS TEAM: The tennis team will compete against Southwest Texas here at 1:30 p.m.

AGGIE CINEMA: "FM," a contemporary story of the goings-on behind the scenes of a popular FM station; accompanied by a terrific soundtrack, will be shown in Rudder Auditorium. (PG)

PLACEMENT OFFICE: Graduating seniors who wish to interview for the following companies may begin signing up today for interviews on March 9: Armeo Steel, Army Corp of Engineers (Ft. Worth), Conoco, Construction Management, Data Resources Inc., Deans Food Co., Deloitte Haskins & Sells, Discovery Land Inc., Federal Highway, Fox & Jacobs, Hicks and Ragland, Honeywell, Hughes Tool, Jones & Carter Inc., Jones Graduate School of Business, Kansas Department of Transportation, Mostek Corporation (Data Processing), Temple Associates Inc., Temple Farm Bureau Insurance Co., United Energy Resources, H.B. Zachary.

Saturday

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JUNIOR BALL: "Around the World in 80 Days" will be the theme of this year's Class of '80 Ball, to be held in the MSC Ballroom from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Tickets are on sale in the MSC and Rudder Box Offices, and may be bought at the door. The entertainment will be "Dialogue."

PLANT SALE: There will be a plant sale at the horticulture greenhouses from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

TENNIS TEAM: The tennis team will play Southwest Louisiana here at 1:30 p.m.

Sunday

HILLEL CLUB: There will be a Bagel Brunch at 12:30 p.m. in the Foundation Building. There will be an admission charged. For reservations call Sandy at 846-1492, Mark at 845-5670, or Ben at 845-3070.

AGGIE CINEMA: "Jonathan Livingston Seagull," based on the best-selling novel by Richard Bach, brings into sharp focus the intense determination of Jonathan to find a world where one does more than live in order to survive, will be shown at 2 p.m. in Rudder Theater. (G)

Monday

HASSLE-FREE: A meeting will be held at 7 p.m. at the Country Place Apartment party room.

CHILD MOVEMENT PROGRAM: Registration for the Department of Health and Physical Education's Child Movement Program will begin today from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. on the third floor of G. Rollie White Coliseum. The program is designed to enhance the fundamental motor and perceptual awareness efficiency of young children 18 months to 5 1/2 years old. For more information contact Dr. Carl Gabbard at 845-6841.

SOCIOLOGY CLUB: Jane Sell will give a speech at 7 p.m. in Room 607, Rudder Tower.

ACCOUNTING SOCIETY: Price Waterhouse will present a program at 7 p.m. in Room 701, Rudder Tower.

PLANT SCIENCES SEMINAR: Dr. James S. Gerik of the plant sciences department will speak on Jacob J. Tabenhaus at 112 Plant Science Building at 4 p.m.

Backwoods skills sharpened

By PATTI SHOQUIST

Battalion Reporter
Log rolling, pole climbing, crosscut sawing, and ax throwing seem like pastimes only a lumberjack would enjoy, but a group of Aggies is out to prove that there's a little backwoods in everybody.

Kent Colburn, president of the Forestry Club, said students majoring in the natural resources disciplines are busy perfecting their skills in such activities in order to compete in Skidadoo, March 3 at Texas A&M University.

Skidadoo is a competition between students majoring in forestry, range science, parks and recreation and wildlife and fisheries science. They participate in over two dozen events, including archery, knife throwing, bait casting, plant and bird identification, chain throwing, and surveying.

"A lot of people wonder who came up with the name Skidadoo and no one really knows," he said, "but it is a catchy word."

Colburn said some events take skill and practice, others require knowledge and a few are based on pure luck.

For example, "it's incredible to see a guy climb a 20-foot pole in four seconds flat," Colburn said, "but it has been done before in competition."

On the other hand, he said, an event like match splitting is not so easy. "It's pure luck to swing an ax and split a match sticking out of a stump." It's also funny to watch, he said.

Colburn anticipates that this is going to be the biggest year for Skidadoo with 60 students from the

forestry department and 200 men and women from the other natural resources departments competing.

Eric Ploeger, the College Station city forester, gave permission for the Forestry Club to hold the event on 43 acres south of the campus on Krenek Lane.

"Skidadoo is more than just a bunch of natural resources majors getting together for the day," Colburn said. Winners of Skidadoo will go on to participate in Conclave April 6 and 7 in Monticello, Ark. against 500 other students.

Conclave is a regional Skidadoo competition where Texas A&M will compete against 12 other southern forestry schools in events similar to those at Skidadoo.

"The toughest school to beat in Conclave is Arkansas," he said. "They tell us the only thing they do

up there is drink beer and practice for Conclave."

Texas A&M first went to Conclave in 1975, and the finished last place. In 1976, Texas A&M finished 10th place, and in last year's Conclave it moved up to fifth.

"We'll have a lot of practice this time we get to Arkansas for Conclave," Colburn said. One practice stop will be March 24, in Nacogdoches, where the Aggies will compete in Field Day, Stephen F. Austin State University's preliminary for Conclave.

Texas A&M will host Conclave 1984.

"By then we may have a permanent site on which to hold the Conclave and Skidadoo competition," Colburn said, "so we may be able to host some contests for students on side of the natural resources field."

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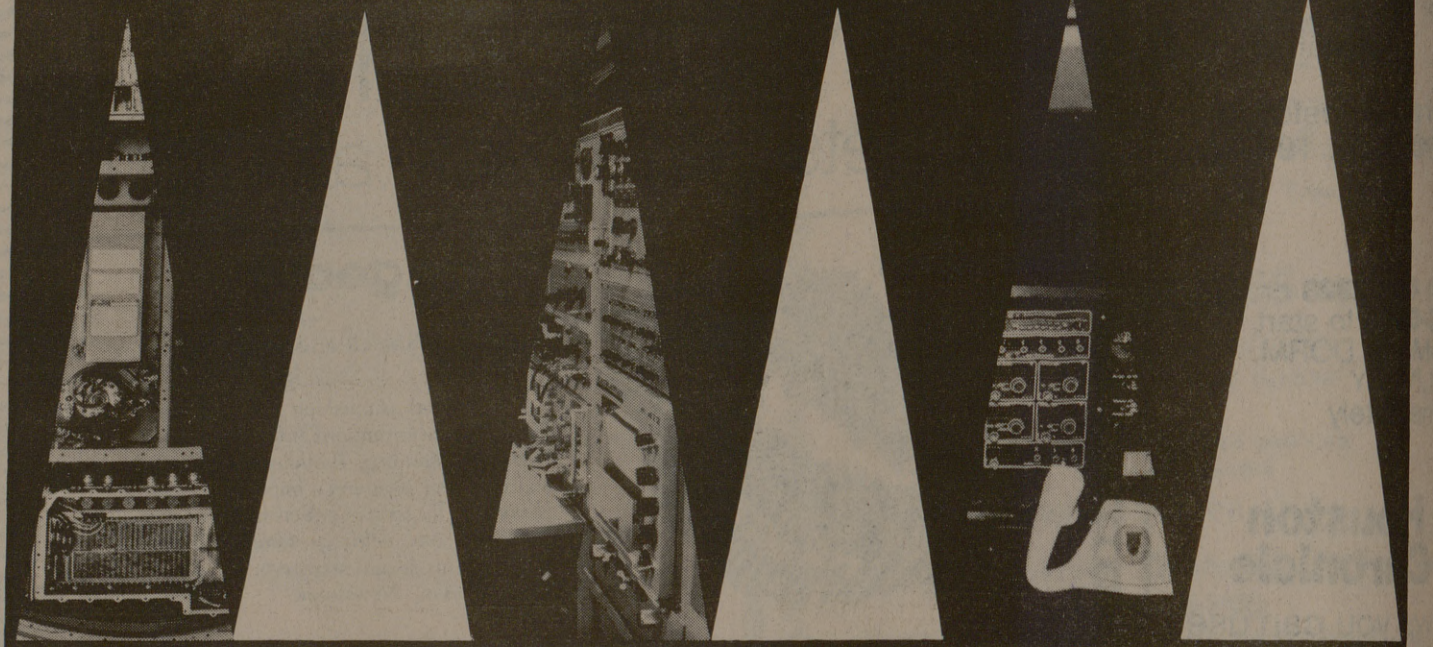
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