

what's up at A&M

Tuesday

MOVIE: "The Last Picture Show," starring Cloris Leachman, Jeff Bridges and Sybil Shepherd, will be shown at 8:45 p.m. in the Grove Theater.

CALENDAR: Any person, group or organization who would like to have something printed in the What's Up column should fill out a form provided in Room 216, Reed McDonald. The name, date and purpose of the event should be included.

Wednesday

MOVIE: "Horsefeathers," a Marx Brothers movie, will be shown at 8:45 p.m. in the Grove Theater.

TEXAS FIREMEN'S TRAINING SCHOOL: There will be a field demonstration open to the public at 8 p.m.

Thursday

THEATER: Stagecenter Inc. presents "Dirty Work at the Cross-

road," a Gay Nineties melodrama today through Saturday at 204 W. Villa Maria Rd. The musical begins at 8 p.m. and admission is \$2.50 for adults and \$1 for children under 12.

MOVIE: "Slaughterhouse Five," based on Kurt Vonnegut Jr.'s book, will be shown at 8:45 p.m. in the Grove Theater.

Friday

GROMETS: The Texas A&M Gamers club will meet at 7 p.m. to play wargames and role playing games in Room 137A and 140B today through Sunday at 6 p.m.

MOVIE: "Omen," starring Gregory Peck and Lee Remick, will be shown at 8:45 p.m. in the Grove Theater.

MIDNIGHT MOVIE: "M-A-S-H," starring Elliot Gould and Donald Sutherland, will be shown in the Grove Theater.

Saturday

MOVIE: "Damien: Omen II," starring William Holden and Lee Grant will be shown at 8:45 p.m. in the Grove Theater.

A&M chemist to test Chinese herbs for cancer fighting properties

Cancer-fighting herbs used in Chinese folk medicine might be in United States labs for testing early next year, says a Texas A&M University chemist who spent six weeks in China negotiating for the proposed collaborative project.

The Sino-American program, which would introduce new anti-tumor compounds for testing in this country and could result in an international exchange of scientists, has received tentative approval for officials in the Chinese Academy of Science (Academia Sinica), Dr. S. L. Lee said.

Lee will receive confirmation next month from Chinese officials

on what would be one of the first scientific exchanges between the U.S. and the People's Republic.

Under the proposed terms, Chinese scientists would send extracts of anti-tumor folk herbs to Texas A&M where they will be fractionated, or broken down into their various elements, and analyzed to determine which elements are the best cancer-fighters. The National Cancer Institute will operate a refined screening system to monitor the research, Lee said.

Testing could produce new weapons in the war against cancer here, he said. Some of these plants, native only to China, have been seen by just a handful of western researchers.

Lee said the proposal would also allow China to send scientists to this country to study further training in chemical and medical research aimed at improving technology that has lagged since the Cultural Revolution.

Lee spent six weeks meeting with administrators and researchers from the Institute of Botany, Academia Sinica in Beijing (Peking) and Guangzhou (Canton).

Use of the herbs over hundreds of years and various success rates among the most populous country on Earth prompted some American scientists to consider the Chinese a source for cancer-fighting materials not available in the United States, Lee explained.

The herbs are widely used by the paramedic "barefoot doctor" system in China. Most of the plants, how-

ever, were used for other purposes before their anti-cancer qualities were discovered, he said.

Lee's visit was made possible

through a fellowship from the International Union Against Cancer, a scientific body based in Switzerland.

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Beer bottle bonanza by brothers

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DETROIT — By the time Rob Stadnika and his brother finally got around to taking their empty beer containers back to the store, they needed the help of more than a dozen friends and a U-haul trailer. "We have friends over quite a bit, and they drink a little beer," Stadnika said, explaining how he and his brother Greg managed to pile up beer cans and bottles worth \$315.50 in deposit refunds.

Fellow party-goers helped the pair down another case of beer during the clean-up before they set off for the local party store, where they collected the refunds.

There had been talk of using the refund money for a house payment but brothers said they'll probably do something more important with the money.

"We'll probably buy either a pool table or a foosball game," Greg said. "And a little bit of beer."

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Bryan CC implements 'open land'

By ROY BRAGG
Battalion Staff

The Bryan City Council implemented open space land valuations for eligible tax owners this year by defeating a resolution Monday night that would have delayed implementation of the program until next year.

The vote was tied 3-3. Councilmen Ples Turner, Joe Hanover and John Mobley voted for the resolution with Councilmen Peyton Waller, Henry Seale and Wayne Gibson voting against.

Mayor Richard Smith abstained from the voting. Smith had earlier excused himself from the vote in order to avoid a possible conflict of interests. Smith said he owns land that would be affected by the vote.

As a result of the vote, the resolution failed and the exemptions were okayed for this year.

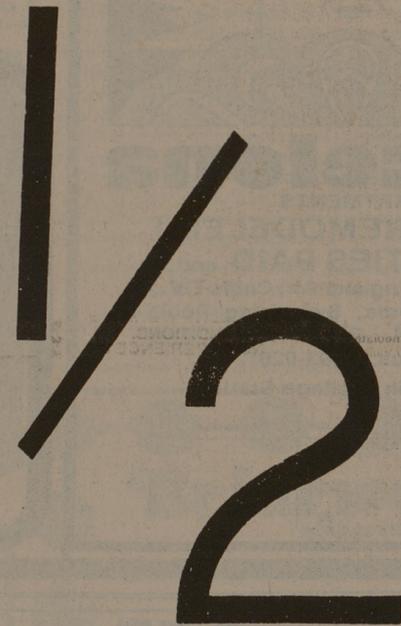
The resolution to delay implementation was suggested by City Attorney Charles Bluntzer, Smith said, so the city would have time to establish procedures to be used in processing applications for the exemptions.

The open space land valuation is part of tax relief amendment H.B. 1060 which was approved by the last legislature. It allows owners of undeveloped land to claim the most beneficial valuation for tax purposes.

In other business, the council: — awarded bids totaling \$40,002.33 for garbage truck containers and electrical department equipment.

— held a public hearing on the city's intention to drop the development of Northwest Side Park from the Community Development Program. The park, near the Carver-Kemp School, was originally planned to be established with land donated to the city. The owner of the land has since decided to withdraw the offer from the city.

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