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March of Dimes drive benefits

Corps collects a record \$19,000

By COLETTE HUTCHINGS

fund drive, the Texas A&M Corps of Cadets collected more money for the March of Dimes than it ever had before.

Donations collected totaled \$19,000.

Tracy Cox, the Corps coordina- from a local restaurant following a

By COLETTE HUTCHINGS Battalion Reporter During their mid-March annual collected from businesses, staff and faculty at Texas A&M and individual contributors. The Corps received about \$18,500 in pledges from the fifth annual March to the Brazos April 4

fit which ate the most pizza in one hour. The members of Squadron 1

were the winners of the contest. Cox said each cadet was also encouraged to raise money and col-lect pledges for the march, and and an additional \$500 donation Corps awards were given to win-

ners who collected the most

B-Battery unit in the band collected the most money as a unit, \$3,300. Cox said the unit will be awarded the battered-boot award at Parents' Day, April 26.

The winner for the most money collected by an individual was Paul Vassar, a senior engineering technology major from Squadron 5. Vassar collected \$1,300 -- more the corps chortal Telg said he estimates that a tot-al of \$65,000 will be collected by the chapter and that the Corps participation will play a big role in this goal money than ever before collected

by one individual Vassar attributed his success to a good sales pitch and a lot of knocking door to door for contributions

He received gift certificates from local stereo shops and a radio head set for his efforts.

Vassar said he was determined to collect more money this year than he collected last year

Ken Telg, chairman of the Bra-zos Valley Chapter March of Di-mes, said he was delighted with the Corps' efforts.

He said the Corps has received national acclaim from the March of Dimes. The Corps March to the Brazos is featured in a film that is shown to various organizations to promote the March of Dimes and their fund-raising activities

Spanish program to help profs in foreign work

By SHEILA FRAZIER

Battalion Reporter This summer 25 faculty members from Texas A&M University will begin a three-phase Spanish Inining Program that will lead to study and work in eveloping countries of Central and South America. This program is funded by the Title XII Strenghening Grant, which is aimed at combining the roles U.S. universities play in domestic and foreign de-

velopment. The grant enables program participants to con-duct research with foreign universities and interma tional centers, assist with agricultural and nutrition technology and advise governments and businesses of these countries

Pamela Horne, Texas A&M's strengthening grant administrator, said the program will give faculty training and background to effectively work with spanish-speaking people of these countries. Depending on the success of this program, she said, other languages may be added in the future.

Language Training Phases I and II or their equivalent are required for eligibility of the final phase. In Phase I, faculty will take Spanish 105 and 106 uring Texas A&M's regular summer sessions. A pecial section is being arranged by the Modern

Languages Department for those faculty wanting it. All will be evaluated and receive credit for the

The faculty class will meet five days a week from 7-8 a.m. and from 4-5:30 p.m. Horne said she origin-ally thought this time schedule might discourage response but all 25 spaces were filled in two days and there are 18 on a waiting list.

In Phase II, during the following year, three University departments will hold 90-minute semi-nars to maintain and build technical vocabulary that the participants will use for the third phase.

Ĥorne said participants in Phase III must send applications themselves to a language institute, university or agency. The committee Horne heads, Language Task Force, will supply brochures and information to participants.

The Strengthening Grant will supply \$700 for expenses of the third phase and pay all costs of the Spanish courses and seminars.

The Language Task Force, which Horne said has worked on this program for about four months, is comprised of Dr. Horne, Dr. Robert Blake, Dr. James Boone, Prof. Fred Kirkpatrick, Dr. Edna Koenig and Dr. Gisela Mahoney.



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