



Auctioneer Keyes Carson, Class of '40, takes bids on a pair of binoculars, one of the items sold at

this year's MSC lost-and-found auction. Proceeds from the auction totaled \$1,400.

MSC Council nets \$1,400 from lost-and-found auction

by Chris Thayer
Battalion Reporter
Watches, calculators, umbrellas and other unclaimed articles found on campus were sold Wednesday in a lost-and-found auction in the Memorial Student Center.

Articles kept at the MSC Main Desk for at least six months are sold in an auction

every semester, said Kyle Spencer, MSC Council vice president of entertainment programs.

Karen Fitzgerald, the auction's staff adviser, said the money raised goes to MSC programs which are not self-supporting, like the Madrigal Dinners and the Christmas programs.

This semester's auction did exceptionally well, Spencer said. The Council raised \$1,400, more than it raised last spring.

Wednesday's auction had about half as many items as the fall auction, but still brought more than half the \$2,200 raised then.

More umbrellas were sold than any other item, Spencer said.

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Honors program offers fall classes to A, B students

by Robert Curlin
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Eligible students planning fall schedules for next week's pre-registration can add honors courses to others on their list.

Forty honors courses are being offered in the fall — most of them from the colleges of liberal arts, science and engineering.

A complete list of the courses offered is on page nine of the directory of fall classes, now available at Heaton Hall.

Dr. Lawrence D. Cress, assistant professor of history and assistant director of the University Honors Program, said one course listed in the fall directory will not be offered. Psychology 401H, Industrial Psychology, was canceled because of a staffing problem.

Most of the honors courses offered are freshman- and sophomore-level classes; however, there are upper-level honors courses in biochemistry, civil engineering, electrical engineering, English, genetics and psychology.

Cress said many students will not sign up for an honors section because they feel they could get a better grade in a non-honors class.

"There shouldn't be a fear of suffering needlessly because they are in an honors course," Cress said. "An A student doing A work is going to get an A."

A study conducted by the honors program comparing grade distribution between honors courses and their non-honors equivalents shows students in the honors sections tend to make better grades in the class than those in the regular sections.

For example, last fall 72 percent of the students taking History 106H, History of the Un-

ited States, made an A or a B, while only 45 percent of those in regular sections made an A or a B.

"An honors course is a little more work, but it gives you a chance for a broader and/or deeper look at the subject," Cress said.

"The number of students enrolled in the honors program has gone up as the number of courses we offer has risen," he said. "We'd like to have more courses, but the departments are so hard-pressed, it's difficult."

Cress said there have been several attempts to expand the honors program into the College of Business, but staffing problems have prevented it.

"They just don't have the faculty in the College of Business for them to pull a person out of a large section to teach a small honors class," he said.

To take an honors course, a student must have an overall grade point ratio of at least 3.0 or the approval of the director of the honors program. A minimum GPR of 3.2 is required for Chemistry 227H, Organic Chemistry I; Chemistry 237H, Organic Chemistry Lab and Physics 201H, College Physics.

The prerequisite for Mathematics 253H, Engineering Mathematics III, is an A or B in Mathematics 152, Engineering Mathematics II, or Math 152H.

To preregister for honors courses, students must meet with their advisers and enter the course numbers plus the H suffix on the course request card in the card packet.

After the adviser has signed the card, the student must get an approval signature at the honors program desk before the card packet is turned in.

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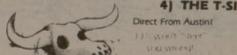
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