

## MSC to offer varied summer entertainment

by Colette Hutchings

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Summer school is here, and with it comes on-campus entertainment to help make a break from the books.

The MSC Grove — Texas A&M University's outdoor movie theater — will be showing nightly movie series. Christine Hanks, Grove manager, said the series were started to give more selections to film-goers.

Sunday is Family Night and will feature wholesome entertainment of the Walt Disney genre. Monday is James Bond night with his action and adventure films; Tuesday is Comedy Night; Wednesday brings Academy Award-winning pictures starting from the 1930s; science fiction/fantasy films will be shown on Thursday; and recent popular films will be shown on Friday and Saturday.

The cost for a Grove movie is 75 cents for Texas A&M students, \$1.50 for non-students and \$1 for children ages 7 to 12. Children 6 and under get in free.

This year special session passes are being sold for \$7.50. Passes may be purchased at Rudder Box Office and the Student Programs Office throughout the week.

Improvements have been added to the Grove, such as a newly painted screen and new projection system, to make movie viewing easier.

For those not familiar with the Grove, soft drinks and

snacks are sold at all shows, and it's advisable to bring insect repellent for summer nights.

The MSC Dinner Theater, in its ninth year on campus, is another entertainment alternative.

Dinners are provided by the MSC Food Services and theater productions are put on by Texas A&M faculty and students. Productions are directed by Roy O'Valle and Robert Wenck of the Theater Arts Section of the Department of English.

Two productions will be presented this summer, "A Shot in the Dark," and "The Odd Couple." "A Shot in the Dark" will be the first production and will be presented Wednesday, June 16, through Saturday, June 19, in the MSC Ballroom (Room 201). Curtain time for each performance is at 7:45 p.m.

Opening night will be a non-dinner performance, which includes beverages to be served at 7:20 p.m. Tickets are \$2.50 for students and senior citizens and \$3.50 for non-students.

Thursday and Friday will be Budget Nights featuring barbecued beef from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$5.95 for students and senior citizens and \$6.95 for non-students.

A buffet of either shrimp creole or beef tips and noodles will be served on Saturday from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. with tickets being \$8.95 for students and senior citizens and \$9.95 for non-students.

## MSC improvements include new carpet

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There are new things underfoot at the Memorial Student Center.

About 3,200 square yards of new carpet were installed during the last two weeks at various places in the MSC. University Center Manager Bill Hensel said the renovation, which cost more than \$48,000, is the first comprehensive renovation since the MSC was opened in 1974.

New carpet was laid on the hallway ramps outside the cafeteria, second floor hallways and lounge, in the Metzger-Sanders gun collection room and in hallways of the guest wing.

MSC maintenance operations are funded in large part by fees charged students—\$10 per regular semester and \$5 per summer session.

Hensel said he hopes recent work by physical plant personnel on the MSC roof has solved a recurrent problem with leaks.

Hensel said the new carpeting was only the first phase of an ongoing effort to refurbish the University Center, which includes the Memorial Student Center and the Rudder Tower complex. Previously, he said, only spot work and routine repair and replacement had been done.

Hensel said he hopes to begin work on replacing carpet in Rudder Tower before the end of the summer, but said work has to proceed slowly for two reasons: administrative procedures and piecemeal work.

"We can't just pull a whole area out of use to replace stuff when students are here," he said. "It has to be scheduled in a light usage time — and summer

session is no longer a light use time. So we have to do it little by little, or between semesters, during Christmas break, and so on."

In other work planned for the University Center, MSC director James R. Reynolds said funds have been set aside for expanding the box office facilities in Rudder Tower, which come under the supervision of the MSC staff.

Reynolds said three new windows would be added on the east side of the existing box office.

"About 300,000 tickets a year go through the box office," he said. "There's just not enough storage space in the current facilities, and tickets have to sit out, which can be a security problem."

Reynolds said a computer system is also due to be installed for use by the Student Finance Office, which previously has done its accounting by hand.

## Community Ed registration today

Registration for College Station Community Education programs will be conducted tonight at 7 p.m. for College Station residents and 8 p.m. for other area residents in the A&M Consolidated High School cafeteria.

Late registration will be held Wednesday and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Community Education office on Timber Street.

Courses for adults and children will be offered in technical, vocational and office skills; music and dance; arts and crafts

and fitness and recreation.

Some of the classes offered will be in typing, accounting, photography, computer programming, belly dancing, ballet, country and western dancing, watercolor painting, tumbling and tennis.

Classes in English as a second language are also offered for children and adults.

Most of the courses run for eight weeks and cost less than \$15.

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