

Veterinary prof gets top woman's award

Bonnie Beaver, a Texas University faculty member, is one of the few researchers in the country specializing in animal behavior, has been named the 1982 Outstanding Veterinarian of the Year by the Association for Veterinarians.

Beaver, who will be promoted to the rank of professor of veterinary anatomy, received the award last week during the national convention of the American Veterinary Association.

The Association for Women Veterinarians presents the honor to recognize contributions of veterinarians in the advancement of veterinary medicine.

Beaver, selected from 17 nominees, has been a faculty member at Texas A&M since 1969 and has been active in publishing and in making public presentations on animal behavior to groups of veterinarians, animal control officers and breeders.

She served as a member of the National Advisory Committee to the Food and Drug Administration, has several key AVMA committee appointments including the organization's Council on Education, and has held the top posts in a number of honorary and professional societies.

In addition, Beaver currently serves as a director of the Texas Veterinary Medical Association

after serving six years on the TVMA's editorial committee — three of those years as chairman.

"Public demand for knowledge about animal behavior is tremendous," Beaver said. "A lot of people don't even know what an animal's normal behavior is. That's what I try to explain."

She is the author of a number of books, including "Veterinary Aspects of Feline Behavior" and "Comparative Anatomy of Domestic Animals."

"Dr. Beaver is truly an outstanding woman with remarkable ability and motivation to achieve," Dr. George Shelton, Texas A&M dean of veterinary medicine, said.

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Howard Vestal to retire

Howard Vestal, who has held the post of vice president for business affairs at Texas A&M University since 1977, has announced his plans to retire

effective Jan. 16. University President Frank E. Vandiver said Tuesday that about two weeks ago he received a letter from Vestal announcing

his intention to retire. Vestal retired from the U.S. Air Force as a colonel in 1965, when he became director of management services at Texas A&M. He was promoted to assistant vice president for business affairs in 1973 and promoted to his present position four years later.

Vandiver said Vestal's retirement is not related to a recent reorganization of upper-level administrative positions.

Vandiver also said he will begin seeking a replacement for Vestal as soon as possible.

TDC lifts quota on new inmates

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3,000 inmates in Fort Bend, Grimes and Anderson counties. TDC currently has 33,485 inmates.

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Person director Jim Estelle at the 104th annual meeting of the Sheriffs' Association of Texas Tuesday that the Texas Department of Corrections had lifted the quota system that had kept the prison system closed its doors to new inmates last May.

The restrictive policy, which had been in effect since May 10, had officials in Texas' 16 counties to transfer only a portion of their inmates to other facilities each week.

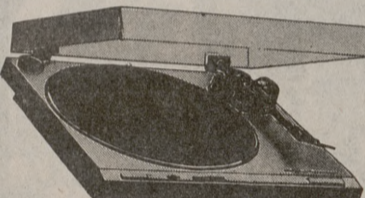
Because of the cooperation of the Board of Pardons and Paroles, and more importantly the sheriffs, we are suspending controlled admissions policy, Estelle said.

TDC spokesman Jay Byrd said in Huntsville the quota policy was lifted because of the new ward which will house almost



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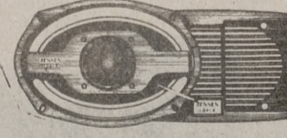
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