

## Around town

### Yearbook offers 'one last chance'

The Aggieland staff has announced that there is 'one last chance' to have your picture taken for the 1983 Aggieland. If you are a junior, senior, vet, medical or graduate student you have until Friday to have your picture made for next year's book.

Pictures are being taken at the Yearbook Associates studio. The studio plans to be open 9:30 - 5 p.m. everyday this week. It is located at 1700 Puryear Drive off of Highway 30 and across from the Tanglewood Apartments. If you have any questions you can call Yearbook Associates at 693-6756 or the Aggieland at 845-2611.

On Friday the studio will close. No more individual pictures will be taken after that day for the 1983 Aggieland.

### Committee to sponsor one-man play

The MSC Black Awareness Committee has scheduled a series of events in February in celebration of Black History month.

Scheduled for Feb. 1 is the play, "Can I Speak for You Brother," starring actor Phillip Walker. In the one-man play, Walker portrays W.E.B. DuBois, Fredrick Douglas, Martin Luther King, Jr., and others.

The play is scheduled to begin at 8 p.m. in Rudder Forum. Tickets are available at the MSC Box Office and are \$2 for students and \$3 for non-students.

On Feb. 2, the film "Malcolm X" will be shown in Room 150 Rudder Tower at 7:30 p.m.

### Library group searches for members

During the months of January and February, the Friends of the Texas A&M University Library will conduct its annual membership drive. This year both new and current members are eligible for a special prize drawing on Feb. 14. Three gift certificates, a \$35, a \$25, and a \$15 redeemable at the Texas A&M University Press, will be awarded.

The Friends of the Texas A&M University Library is a group of individuals who encourage and promote private gifts of books, manuscripts, and money to the University Library. The Friends have purchased otherwise unobtainable materials such as reading machines for the visually handicapped and costly materials for research. In addition, the Friends sponsor lectures, programs, and the annual Student Book Collectors' Contest.

Membership forms for the Friends are available on the first floor of the Sterling C. Evans Library.

### Theater arts majors win contest

The American College Theatre Festival Region VI awarded first prizes to Texas A&M theatre arts majors John Redman and Sharon Hidalgo in the Fort Worth festival at the Scott Theatre on Jan. 18.

Redman and Hidalgo were recognized for their scenic lighting designs, respectively, for the Oct. 1982 production of Getting Out by the Texas A&M theatre arts program. Each received with their first place recognition a Glen C. Martin, Sr. Scholarship award of \$300.

They were in competition with graduate and undergraduate designers from participating colleges and universities in Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas.

The Glen C. Martin, Sr. Scholarship, established by Texas Scenic, Inc. is awarded to further the education of student designers within the region. Both Redman and Hidalgo are seniors and plan to begin their graduate studies next year.

### MSC Travel plans Mardi Gras trip

The MSC Travel Committee has announced a Mardi Gras trip to New Orleans on Feb. 11-13. Total cost for the trip will be \$100, which includes the hotel and bus charter.

For further information or to sign up for the trip come by the Student Programs Office in Room 216 MSC, or call 845-1515.

### Welch Foundation lectures to begin

Dr. Egon Matijevic of Clarkson College of Technology will present the annual Robert A. Welch Foundation Lecture in Room 231 Chemistry Building at 3:30 p.m. today.

Matijevic will speak on "Monodispersed Metal (Hydrous) Oxides: A Fascinating Field of Colloid Science."

Colloid chemistry is the study of matter which is smaller than one-millionth of a meter in dimension and which exists as suspension in a gas, liquid or solid medium.

He is one of seven distinguished scientists performing lectures this year for the Welch Foundation of Houston.

If you have an announcement or item to submit for this column, come by The Battalion office in 216 Reed McDonald or call Tracey Taylor at 845-2611.

## Now you know

With increasing frequency, researchers have been fanning off the haze that shrouds depression, discovering its roots are as much embedded in biochemical imbalances as in emotional turmoil.

The December issue of Science Digest reports that at the University of Chicago, psychiatrist Herbert Meltzer has found some types of depression can be diagnosed simply by looking at irregularities in a patient's blood platelets.

Freckling the surface of the tiny cells are uptake sites for serotonin, a complex substance

that acts as a neurotransmitter regulating moods. Serotonin has been called the "molecule of depression" because some depressed persons have inadequate amounts of the substance in their brains.

"In some depressed patients, the total of serotonin uptake sites will be 30 percent to 40 percent below average," Meltzer says. "Because lowered levels are present even when a person is not depressed, testing platelets could serve to identify not only those people suffering from depression, but also those likely to develop it."

## TAP Instructor NEEDED



If you are interested in teaching tap dancing for Dance Arts Society, meet at 6:30 p.m., Wednesday Jan. 26 at 268 E. Kyle (Dance Room).

Auditions begin at 7 p.m.

For more information call Cynthia at 260-0056

## Theta X Fraternity Spring Rush '83

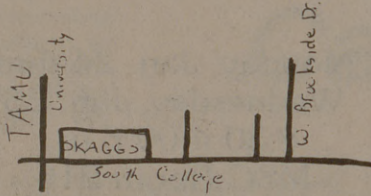
Mon. Jan. 24

"Toga Party" 403 W. Brookside

Thurs. Jan. 27

"Taco & Tequila" El Toro's, Bryan

779-1460 or 846-1540



## local

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## Crime prevention program is success

by Craig Harris

Battalion Reporter

After one year in Brazos County, Crime Stoppers has helped recover \$279,000 in stolen property, the program's coordinator says.

Deputy Sheriff Charlie Owen said the local program has led to the arrest of 74 people in Brazos County since the program began in December 1981.

He also said that \$279,000 in stolen property was recovered during the Brazos County program's first year and \$5,000 to \$6,000 in rewards were given.

The tight economy has caused more people to turn in names of offenders—including friends and relatives—for the cash rewards, Owen said.

Crime Stoppers is a deterrent to crime, he said. People sometimes are reluctant to commit a crime because they fear that

Brazos County



someone they know will turn them in for the reward.

Of the 383 calls Brazos County Crime Stoppers received during its first year, about 26 calls came from Texas A&M students, he said.

"Peers tend to stick together so we don't get very many calls from the Texas A&M students," Owen said.

Only 20 percent of the calls received are useful tips, Owen said. Most of the other calls don't provide enough information.

Statewide, Crime Stoppers has helped recover almost \$12.3 million in stolen goods, cleared

more than 6,000 cases and 454 arrests. There are programs in Texas.

The reward money program is from tax-deductions. Brazos County citizens have contributed \$10,000 to the program first year.

Between 20 and 30 received rewards in County. The amount from \$100 for information wanted fugitives to help solve burglaries.

Many people call in information without seeking Owen said.

The crime of the year offers a \$1,000 reward information which leads to arrest and grand jury indictment of a suspect in the. During the first year, crime of the week cases solved, he said.

## Commemorative marker planned for University

A historical marker commemorating Texas A&M's status as the oldest public college in the state is being placed by the University on New Main Drive.

The marker should be completed in late February or early March, Eugene Ray, director of grounds maintenance, said. A two-car pull-off area is planned

for the site with a sidewalk leading to the marker.

The marker is being built by the grounds maintenance department.

The idea for the marker was initiated by William Nance, former head of the history department, and Walter Carl Jones of the Texas Highway Depart-

ment, Ray says. Both are County Historical Society representatives.

Texas A&M University is the first land grant college established in Texas. On Oct. 10, 1876, Texas A&M opened its doors to 106 students, making it the first state-supported public

# MSC DISCOVERY '83

MSC STUDENT PROGRAMS IS EXPLODING WITH EXCITEMENT. COME SEE WHAT WE HAVE IN STORE FOR YOU THIS SPRING.

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## Yearbook Pictures

Juniors & Seniors

## ONE LAST CHANCE

JANUARY 24-28

9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

1700 Puryear Dr.

693-6756

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