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# College of Agriculture awards banquet tonight

Outstanding agriculture students will be recognized at the 27th annual Agricultural Convocation at 7:30 tonight in Rudder Theater.

standing grade, leadership and activity records at Texas A&M.

professors, the Gavel Award will be presented to the technical club within the college with the best percentage of attendance at the convocation.

In addition to the awards given to individual students and

A professor from the College of Agriculture will be chosen and honored for outstanding contributions to the College of Agriculture. Also, winners of various scholarships will be announced during the event.

C.G. Scruggs, editor and vice president the Progressive Farmer, will address the convocation with his speech "Will There Be Life in Agriculture After 1983?"

The outstanding freshman, sophomore and junior in the College of Agriculture will be recognized and the top 1 percent of the seniors will be given Senior Merit Awards for out-

## OFFICIAL NOTICE General Studies Program

**Students who plan to Pre-Register for the Fall Semester in the General Studies Program are URGED to pick up a Pre-registration Form in Room 100 of Harrington Tower from Mar. 28 thru Apr. 15.**



25 years of service

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From left to right, Tony LeCara, Steven Cromwell, Pete Smith, Wadley Blood Bank administrator, Linda Thomas, chairman of Student Government, Wally Brewster, MSC coordinator of continuing programs, watch as Dr. Kurt Osther, scientific director of Wadley Blood Center, presents Dr. John J. Koldus, Texas A&M

vice president for student services, a plaque recognizing the University's 25 years of donating blood to the bank. Since 1959, Texas A&M students and faculty have donated 33,827 units of blood to the center. This semester's drive runs through Thursday.

# Equal hiring is workshop topic

by Stephanie M. Ross  
Battalion Reporter

The Texas A&M System Affirmative Action Office will hold an affirmative action workshop Wednesday for system administrators and managers.

The purpose of the workshop is to educate people on what affirmative action and equal employment opportunity are and to clear up any misconceptions about them, said Gerald Wright, system affirmative action officer. Most people do not understand fully what the programs are and how the laws concerning them apply to the system, he said.

The workshop will be directed at those who are involved in hiring system employees, Wright said.

Vice presidents, deans, directors and department heads from all areas of the University

system have been invited to the workshop, but registration has been opened to businesses in the College Station area and any other interested persons, Wright said.

Topics planned for the workshop, which will run from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in 601 Rudder, include "Affirmative Action and Reverse Discrimination," "Recruitment, Selection and Placement," "Equal Employment and Opportunity Commission Charges and How to Handle Them" and "The EEOC: its Role and Enforcement Authority."

Lectures, films and problem-solving sessions also will be part of the workshop.

With an understanding of the programs, Wright said, problems in employee relations and hiring practices can be foreseen and possibly avoided.

# Love and sex lecture topics

by Melissa Adair  
Battalion Staff

Dick Purnell, lecturer and counselor with Campus Crusade for Christ, will be at Texas A&M today through Thursday to speak on developing self-worth and building better relationships.

"Learning about interpersonal relationships is one of the greatest needs college students have," Purnell said. "They (students) want to know as much as they can in this area — how to start relationships and how to develop them once they've started."

"A relationship with someone of the opposite sex is more than just having fun, it's learning about each other. And many times a lot of fear goes along with this."

Purnell has a master's degree in counseling from Indiana University and has counseled many students.

Purnell, who was married less than a year ago, said he and his wife, Paula, travel together as a team.

"Paula does a lot of speaking and counseling too," he said. "And she can relate to women in a different way than I can. She also helps me with my lectures."

Purnell will speak at 7 tonight in Rudder Auditorium on how students can develop a better self-image.

"Society tends to put too much emphasis on beauty, intelligence and status," Purnell said.

"And because of this, we constantly compare ourselves to others, which results in frustration."

Wednesday at 8 p.m. in Rudder Auditorium, Purnell will discuss why couples break up.

If students can understand why couples break up, then they can avoid those situations and build stronger relationships, he said. Many times people idealize what relationships should be like and end up discouraged because their dream world is shattered, he said.

At 8 p.m. Thursday in G. Rolfe White Coliseum, Purnell will speak on sex and the search for intimacy.

"Sex can be a misleading area for our real search for intimacy," he said. "Sex doesn't equal intimacy."

Purnell said all of his lectures stress Christ as being the key to successful relationships.

"Christ can help us develop the best relationships possible," Purnell said. "We all have problems, but the question is how do we handle these problems? I think having a personal relationship with Christ is the answer."

Purnell's lectures are sponsored by Texas A&M Campus Crusade for Christ.

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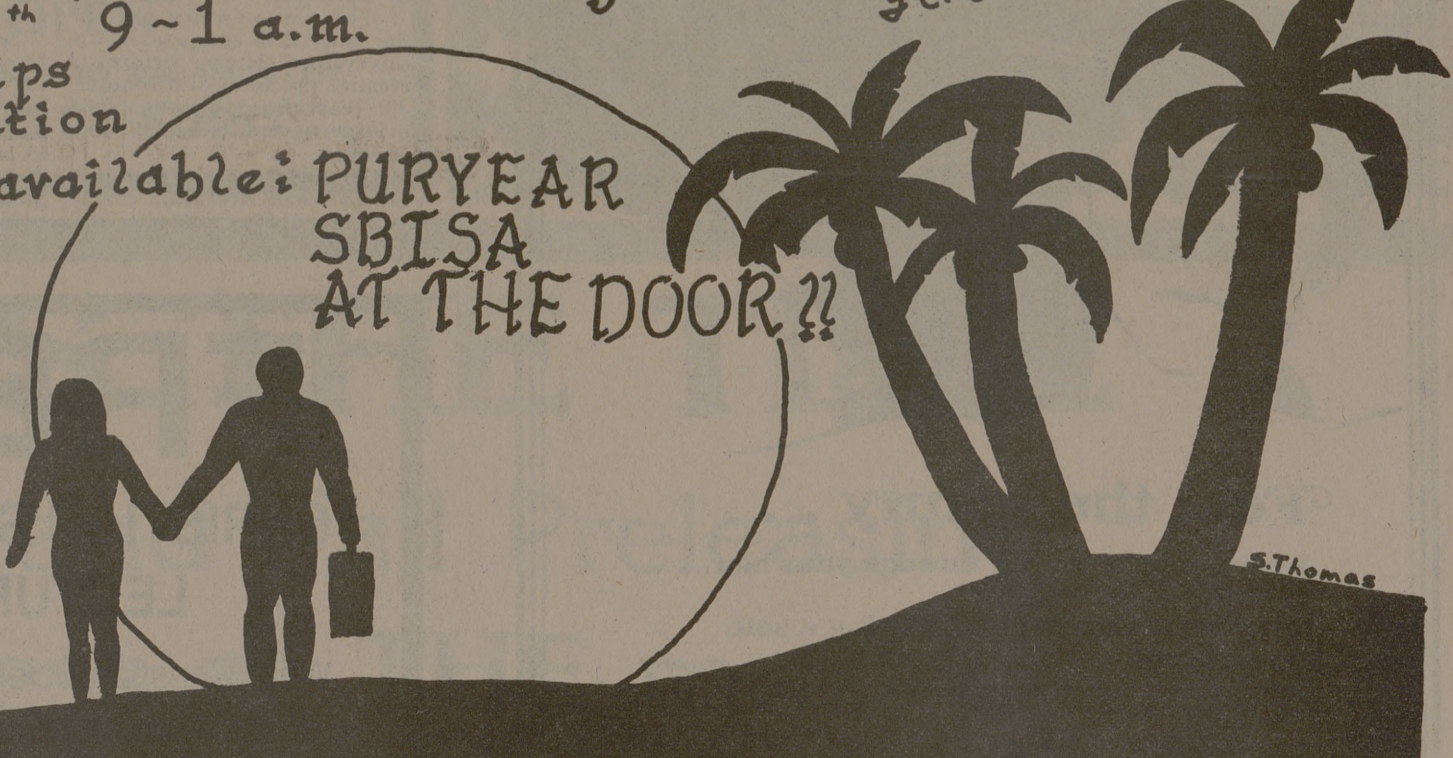
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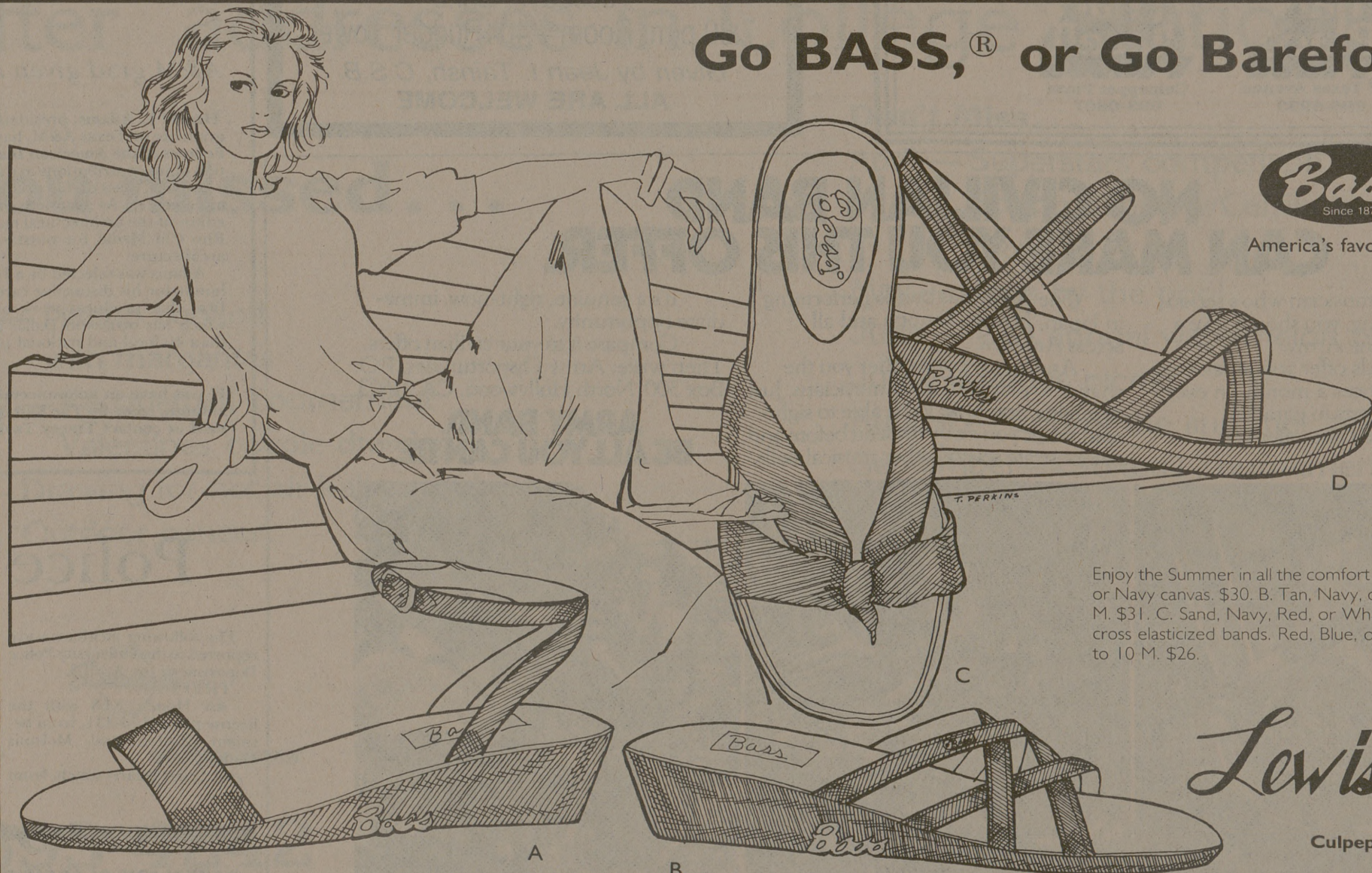
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