Freshmen invade campus

by Joe Tindel Jr.

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process of creating new
s begins again on the as A&M campus. The first summer orientation

nference for this fall's fresh-m began June 2. It is the first transfer student conferto be held here this how the grading process works.

In all, about 5,900 incoming hmen are expected to attend orientation conferences, Jan miford, assistant director of lent Affairs, said Tuesday. ach conference is designed handle 450 future students, miford said, but that numhas been exceeded.

ach conference begins with lit by examination tests given nd morning, students are

Also included in the morning activities is a program for parents designed to answer questions they might have concerning academic matters. Topics 4 such conferences and range from how many hours a week a student spends in class to

> The conferences also offer parents an afternoon program dealing more with the extra-curricular side of college life, in-cluding discussions about the transition from high school to

Among afternoon activities for incoming freshmen is a stu-Corps students as well as their the Student parents. Winniford said the

orientation for incoming members of the Corps of Cadets.

A newer feature of the conferences is the resource tables, located in the Rudder Center exhibit hall, where incoming freshmen can ask questions and obtain information about such programs as Cooperative Education, the Corps of Cadets, food services, the A.P. Beutel Health Center and the honors

program.

Resource tables also will have information concerning Fish - the orientation program held in August at Lakeview Methodist Assembly near Palesdent life presentation for non-Corps students as well as their the Student Y Association, serves to help freshmen meet program introduces students to friends and student leaders, be-

given a welcome and placement tests, which are designed to reveal areas of interest.

vities available at Texas A&M. The conferences also include an orientation for incoming memory sign up for one of four campus times. the resource table.

A housing orientation program is another afternoon session offered during the conferences. The program is divided into sessions for on-campus students, off-campus students who have housing and off-campus students who don't have housing.

Among other features of the conferences is the popular Peer Advisor program, in which students meet in small groups with two upperclassmen who share

some of their experiences at Texas A&M and give advice on various aspects of college life. Evening activities include a Traditions Program, presented by the yell leaders, and a mixer for the new Aggies in the Memothe many organizations and acti- come familiar with Aggie tradi- rial Student Center.

Ag economist believes farmers more involved in marketing

by Angel Stokes

Battalion Staff exas farmers are becoming e involved in the marketing heir agricultural products, ays an economist for the Texas

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leader leady increase in food prices,
as Dr. Forrest Stegelin, the difence between what farmers teived and what consumers farm-share. Also, bec. 82. Stegelin says this differdaughters a has made hee, known as the farm to retail ice spread, indicates food inretary-bustry charges for handling,

processing and retailing farm farming

just a production person, he culture says. By becoming involved in other aspects of farming and agriculture and following the product one step forward, he will step the says the farm-share of retail costs is increasing, it's not keeping pace with marketing costs. says, farmers can increase their

"Industry wants a combina-Because more money goes tion of agriculture and busi-into the marketing of farm food ness," he says. Because of this, products, farmers have been en- agriculturalists are entering couraged to become more than areas never before called agri-

Stegelin said that although a 5 percent to 8 percent increase in Also, because fewer sons and daughters are going back to the farm, more students have become interested in the agri-

This results in overall food price increases being influenced more by food industry costs than by farm prices, he says.

According to Stegelin, the spread will continue to happen for the next four to five years as the food industry strives to put the food on the grocery shelves that the consumer public wants.

The marketing and processing costs continue to increase because the consumer wants more convenience type foods to





A nice long talk

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Incoming freshmen and freshmen peer advisers relax on the lawn in front of the Academic Building and discuss student life. Peer adviser

sessions are scheduled on the first of freshman orientation conferences and give freshmen the chance to ask questions of students.

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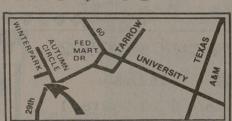
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