

# New building going up for Alumni

By TRICIA PARKER  
Staff Writer

Midland oilman Clayton Williams Jr. has donated \$2.5 million dollars toward the construction of a new 30,000-square-foot building to house the Texas A&M Association of Former Students, the organization announced last week.

The building, scheduled for completion late in 1985, will cost \$5 million. Williams, a 1954 Texas A&M graduate, has agreed to pay for up to half of the cost.

Tommie Maddox, administrative assistant to the executive director of the organization said

there is a need for more space than the association has in the Forsyth Alumni Center, located in the Memorial Student Center.

"The office space we have here we've just outgrown," she said. "We would like to establish a permanent structure honoring former students. It just takes a lot of area to do all this."

Building committees have been trying for four years to find space for the association. Proposals included adding on to the center in the MSC or trying to build a complex that would house the Association of Former Students, the Aggie

Club and the Development Foundation.

When all this fell through, the association obtained legislation which would allow it to use five acres of campus property for its activities. Maddox said the building will be called the Clayton W. Williams Center.

The arc-shaped building will be built on a five-acre tract next to the floral gardens and across from the president's home, on the corner of Houston and Jersey Streets. A plaza in front of the building will be inlaid with a bronze and stone seal of the association.

Chairman of the building committee Davis Ford said in The Texas Aggie magazine that the structure will contain offices and reception rooms which will serve as the nerve center for the association. Space for archives and a video library also will be provided in the new building.

Two wings will be reserved for class programs, the A&M Club Field Office, The Texas Aggie Magazine and the A&M Travel Program. Records and fund raising divisions, mailing and printing facilities and administrative offices will be housed as well.

Ford said the building will be

financed both by Williams and by contributions from former students. Those who contribute \$50,000 will have their names inscribed on one of the building's 33 pillars. For \$25,000, contributors can have their names inscribed on the cornerstone.

"This is a once in a lifetime opportunity," Ford said in The Texas Aggie. "We'll be constructing the first permanent home in the Association's 105-year history. The Center is being planned to last fifty years or more. Something like this comes along but once in a century."

# National Library Week kicks off with reception

By REBECCA DIMEO  
Reporter

A reception honoring Sterling C. Evans Monday marked the beginning of National Library Week at Texas A&M.

Antonia Snee, chairman of National Library Week for Ster-

ling C. Evans Library said the "birthday" reception for Evans has been an annual event here during National Library Week.

National Library Week, started by the American Library Association in 1958 to focus public attention on reading for fun, has been celebrated at Texas A&M since 1975.

Every year the ALA suggests a national theme for the events printed on flyers and posters such as this year's slogan, "Knowledge is real power" accompanied by the cartoon character Superman.

Snee said she anticipates crowds of about 150 for each of the speakers today and Thursday. Friday's book sale, which features books the library either has duplicates of or no longer needs, brings in money used to buy new books and pay the speakers for the following year.

"The book sale is one of the biggest draws of the week," Snee said.

Roger Brooks, one of the two speakers scheduled for Thursday, compiled the Matthew Arnold collection — poems and essays by the 19th century British educator which were purchased by the Sterling C. Evans Library last year.

Don Dyal, head of special collections at the library, said he is looking forward to the presentation on the Matthew Arnold collection because he knows some English classes will be using the works, and he sees potential dissertation topics in them.

"It's sort of an announcement program for the Matthew Arnold works," Dyal said.

Bryan Public Library is also celebrating National Library Week with a number of displays and programs. Clara Mounce, city librarian, said their biggest exhibit is a showcase in the lobby of Sterling C. Evans Library depicting the library's services, such as how to get a library card, in the form of a big Monopoly game.

Pounce said the annual meeting of the Friends of the Library is scheduled for National Library Week. Tonight at the meeting Sen. Kent Caperton will be presented with a 3-foot by 2-foot collage made from 200 library cards from across the state.

Caperton and four other Texas senators are being awarded for their support of public libraries, Pounce said.

The rest of the program, tonight at 7 p.m. in the Bryan Public Library auditorium, will consist of a color slide presentation of Bryan before the library was built and a ceremony honoring library volunteers.

The National Library Week events at Texas A&M, held in the Sterling C. Evans Library and free to the public, are as follows:

• Today — William D. Stotesbery, director of government and public affairs at Microelectronics and Computer Technology Corp., will speak in Room 204C. Reception will follow.

• Thursday — Roger Brooks, vice president for administrative affairs at Houston Baptist University; and R. H. Super, visiting professor from the University of Michigan, will speak on the Matthew Arnold collection in Room 204C. Reception will follow.

# What's up

TUESDAY

**BRAZOS VALLEY SELF-RELIANCE COALITION:** Virginia Bowers, from the City of College Station, will be speaking on conserving energy in your apartment at 7:30 p.m. in 110 Military Sciences. Contact Scott at 260-3475 for more information.

**DEFENSIVE DRIVING COURSE:** The course will be held from 6-10 p.m. tonight and Wednesday night in the Ramada Inn. Registration is \$20. To pre-register, call 846-1904 or 693-8178.

**ISREAL CLUB/OCEANOGRAPHY GRADUATE COUNCIL:** A slide show and presentation of "Oceanography in Isreal" will be shown at 8:30 p.m. in 302 Rudder Tower. Contact Larry Rose at 693-7952 for more information.

**MSC CEPHEID VARIABLE:** There will be a general meeting at 7:30 p.m. in 302 Rudder Tower.

**MSC HOSPITALITY:** A children's Easter party will be held from 7-8:30 p.m. in 201 of the MSC. Free food and games for all children! For more information, call Kim Wallace at 696-0151.

**MICROBIOLOGY SOCIETY:** There will be a general meeting at 6:30 p.m. in 113 BSBE. Officer elections will be held. Everyone welcome!

**SOCIETY OF PETROLEUM ENGINEERS:** A meeting will be held at 7 p.m. in 102 Zachry. Call 845-2241 for more information.

**SPIRIT AWARD CEREMONY:** The Buck Weira Spirit Awards will be presented on Sunday at 9 a.m. at the Parents Day Program. All applicants should be present for the ceremony. Winners will not be notified before the ceremony.

**TAMU SAILING TEAM:** A meeting will be held at 7 p.m. in 109 MLS. Call Jonathon Roach at 260-3048 for more information.

**TAMU THEATRE ARTS:** "Romeo & Juliet" will be performed at 8 p.m. in Rudder Theatre. Performances will continue through Saturday. Contact Gay at 845-2621 for more information.

**UNIVERSITY LUTHERAN CHAPEL:** Those students who are interested in visiting and singing at the Sherwood Nursing Home should meet at the student center at 6:45 p.m. For more information, contact Pastor Hubert Beck.

WEDNESDAY

**STUDENT'S ENGINEERS COUNCIL:** There will be a general meeting at 7 a.m. in 342 Zachry.

# A&M German Club presents folk play

By MELINDA HANSEN  
Reporter

Members of the A&M German Club and the Modern Languages Department will present the three-act folk drama, "Geschichten aus dem Wiener Wald" today at 8 p.m. in the Forum.

"Tales from the Vienna Woods," written in 1930 by Odon von Horvath, is a bittersweet love story set against the Great Depression and the early stirrings of national socialism.

Directed by Roger Crockett and Dr. Wulf Koepke of the modern languages department,

the play will be performed in German. A detailed English synopsis will be available at the door.

Members of the cast are students in German 489-Play Production. Crockett said the students take the course in the spring, but they have been working on the play since October. One of the leading cast members in the play is Karen Hill who plays a young Austrian lady (Marianna) engaged to someone she doesn't want to marry. Ben Galewsky has a male lead of Alfred, Marianna's lover.

Edwin Garrett plays a stubborn, egotistical merchant novelty items, and Larry Specht will portray a 50-year-old owner of a tobacco shop trying to act younger than he really is. "We have presented this the last three years," Crockett said, "but we wanted to explore other areas. That's why we're trying something different this year," he said.

# Correction

The Texas A&M Student Entertainment Network was incorrectly named in Monday's Battalion. TAMSEN is the correct name, and it is located on the third floor of the Memorial Student Center. The Battalion regrets the error.

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