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## Retirement Faculty honored by colleagues, former students association

By SONDRA HOSTETLER  
Reporter

Retiring faculty members from Texas A&M were honored by their colleagues and the Association of Former Students at the annual faculty retirement dinner Thursday night.

The 25 members completed their terms at the University with a combined total of 566 years of service. Family and friends recognized the accomplishments of the retirees as President Frank E. Vandiver presented each with a plaque.

Dr. Gordon Eaton, vice president for academic affairs, said

the group's retirement, with 12 members serving here for more than a quarter of a century, represented a "vintage year."

Vandiver told the 25 faculty members that their posture at the University may change but they would not be allowed to change their affiliation with the University.

He said, "This is an outfit you can't chicken out of."

In a response, as representative for the retiring faculty members, Dr. George W. Kunze said, "It is time to pass

the torch on to others scheduled to fill our shoes."

Kunze, graduate dean for the College of Soil and Crop Sciences, is retiring after 32 years here.

The remaining retirees, their departments and their years of service are:

Charles W. Plum, accounting, six and a half years; Dr. John W. Williamson, agricultural education, seven years; Dr. Robert S. Dewers, forest science, eight and a half years; David W. Benson, finance, 10

years; Dr. Lenore A. Boyd, educational psychology, 10 years; Dr. Campbell W. Pennington, geography, 10 years; Dr. Roscoe W. Lewis, biochemistry and biophysics, 14 years; Dr. William P. Fife, biology, 17 years; Dr. John W. Handin, geology and geophysics, 17 years; Mary Jo Hoffman, English, 17 years; Dr. Robert D. Turpin, civil engineering, 18 years; W. Dee Kutach, sociology, 21 years.

Dr. John Guinn, English, 22 years; Dr. Charles F. Hall, veterinary microbiology and parasitology, 25 years; Dr. John W.

Bradley, poultry science, 28 years; Dr. Herbert H. Lutz, 28 years; Dr. J. Boone, Jr., industrial, national and technical education, 32 years; Dr. Guy Francis, meteorology, 32 years; Dr. H. Nelson, sociology, 32 years; John S. Denison, electrical engineering, 35 years; S. Denison, electrical engineering, 35 years; Dr. L. Grumbles, veterinary medicine and parasitology, 35 years; Dr. Robert L. Skrabanski, 35 years; Dr. E. Holt, agronomy, 36 years; Robert E. Schiller, Jr., engineering, 38 years.

## Zoning permit decisions cause protest

By LORRAINE CHRISTIAN  
Reporter

The decisions to table a site permit and deny a rezoning permit caused two applicants to leave the Planning and Zoning Commission meeting upset Thursday night.

Pastor Gordon Knight appeared at College Station City Hall to request a conditional use permit and a site permit for the renovation of Rock Prairie Baptist Church. The commission approved the conditional use permit but tabled the site permit because of Mary Arnold McCulloch.

McCulloch protested the renovation because she felt that the one room church is a historical site. Knight planned to divide the interior into classrooms and to build a connection from the one room church to the main church. McCulloch felt this would destroy the historical significance of the room. She intended to apply for a historical marker.

"It's an asset to have this historical marker," she said.

The question over the church receiving a historical marker caused the commission to table the site permit.

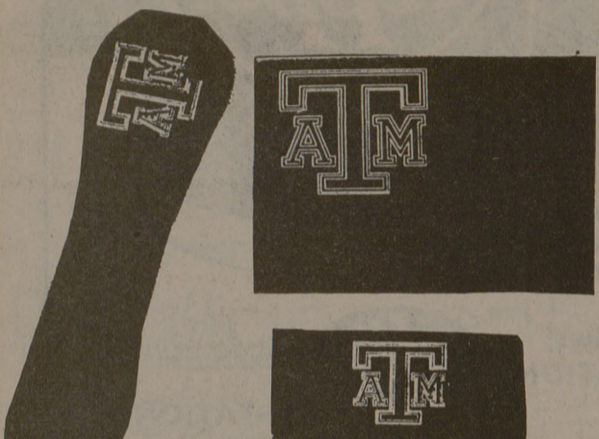
Knight appeared upset. He said this decision would destroy the construction workers' schedule.

Carl Matthews also appeared upset as he left the meeting. He left after his rezoning requests were rejected. Matthews wanted to rezone his land from agriculture open district to planned in-

dustrial district and a commercial district. The commission rejected this since the land was adjacent to a residential district. Matthews said he would be willing to give the land to other districts if the rezoning didn't seem promising. "This isn't right," he said. "I didn't ask the city to annex me."

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## Italy prevents statue from flying to New Orleans for Olympics

United Press International

ROME — The Italian government prevented a priceless Michelangelo sculpture from leaving Italy Thursday hours before a jetliner was scheduled to transport the statue to the New Orleans World's Fair.

The six-foot marble statue of "Christ Carrying the Cross" must remain in Rome, at least until experts from Italy's Central Restoration Institute decide if it can travel without risk, said Minister for Cultural Heritage Nino Gullotti.

"I can't say when we will take a definitive decision, I want to check everything and have all the experts' opinions again," Gullotti told reporters.

Italian authorities are highly sensitive to artwork leaving the country. On Jan. 30, Italy rejected a request for the Riace Bronzes, two ancient Greek statues of nude warriors, to

travel to Los Angeles for the Summer Olympics.

Gullotti said flatly that requests to borrow Donatello's statue of David and Beato Angelico's painting of the Annunciation for the New Orleans exhibit "had not even been considered."

The six-foot six-inch statue by Michelangelo was scheduled to leave Rome on a Pan Am flight for exhibit in a pavilion of Vatican art at the World's Fair to be opened by President Reagan, Italian newspapers reported.

A Vatican spokesman said Archbishop Philip Hannan of New Orleans originally approached the Vatican about the statue but Holy See officials advised him to apply to the Italian government, which owns the piece.

The then minister for cultural heritage, Vincenzo Scotti, first agreed to the request. But a Cabinet meeting turned after Rome's superintendent for cultural heritage monuments, Prof. Damiano, said the statue was damaged while out of the country, the news reports said.

Since the Renaissance, the statue of St. Maria Minerva, in the Pantheon where the popes are buried.

The Vatican has agreed to lend the New Orleans fair of its own art treasures ready in the United States another show.

Michelangelo's most famous sculpture, "The Pieta," was of the chief attractions of the 1964-65 New York World's Fair. The Vatican, which the statue, allowed it to be shipped to New York as part of the most delicate packagings in art history.

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