

## 'Liliom' sparks emotional plot

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Reporter

The cast of "Liliom" gave their first performance Thursday night to open the 40th season of the TAMU Aggie Players.

The story develops around "Liliom," the main character, played by Richard Strayer. He is the town bully who steals young girls' hearts, and vows never to fall in love. Julie Zeller, played by Gwen Pesak, is the leading lady who wins Liliom's heart, and his love.

Liliom does not easily give in to Julie. He treats her badly and pretends not to love her, but he really does. Julie understands him in a way no one else does, she truly loves him even if he is a rotten guy.

The actors excellently portrayed their parts. The beginning scene showed Liliom as the tough, bully he was. He yells at Julie, pushes her around, and talks of his reputation of being such a ladies' man. Julie was innocent and naive, and infatuated with Liliom. She really wanted to

be his girl. She looked up to him, and did anything he told her to do.

Marie acted as a best friend should, she was always there for Julie. Marie was naive and childlike, laughing all the time. She talked of her boyfriend, Wolf, played by Lance Charles Miller Jr., and they joked about his name.

The plot develops around Fiscur, played by Marc Andre Gessner, who causes much of Liliom's problems. The two of them stay out late, drink too much and gamble. Later, Fiscur causes Liliom's fall.

"Liliom" is a play that would be enjoyable to anyone. There is romance, comedy, suspense and tragedy. It is a story of a very special kind of love. Liliom can be seen Sept. 28, and 29 at 8 p.m. in the Rudder Forum. It can also be seen Oct. 4, 5, and 6. Tickets are \$4 for the general public, \$3 for TAMU students, and are available at the MSC Box Office.



Liliom looks fondly at Julie in a scene from the Aggie Players' production of "Liliom" which runs through October 6.

Mondale-Gromyko meeting lasts 90-minutes

## Nuclear arms control discussed

United Press International

NEW YORK — Walter Mondale held an unprecedented meeting with Moscow's top diplomat Thursday to review superpower relations and the Soviets suggested that if Mondale were elected president "certain possibilities" for arms control would be opened.

For his part, Mondale said he did what he could to create a "hopeful environment" for President Reagan's meeting today with Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko.

The Democratic presidential candidate, who has repeatedly criticized Reagan for his failure to reach any arms control agreement during his term, held the 90-minute meeting with Gromyko at the Soviet mission to the United Nations.

Mondale had stressed going into the session that he did not want to upset Reagan, and said his message to Moscow would be, "We don't negotiate as a candidate."

In his comment to reporters after the session, Mondale held out hope that something of substance could come from the Reagan-Gromyko talks at the White House today — an expectation the administration has tried to dampen.

"While it's not possible to speculate on what the outcome of the talks tomorrow might be ... I do believe there is the opportunity tomorrow to make significant progress," Mondale said.

The Soviets, in a statement issued in New York, referred to Gromyko's speech earlier in the day to the U.N.

General Assembly, in which he criticized Reagan's harsh attitude toward the Kremlin and said, "The tug-of-war between the groups that determine U.S. foreign policy has been won by the militarily minded."

The statement charged that Washington has "wrecked the negotiations between the (Soviet Union) and the United States virtually on all questions dealing with the cessation of the arms race."

Speaking of Mondale, the Soviet statement said he had advocated "a turn for the better" in relations between the two nuclear giants and said:

"Some of the ideas suggested by him in this context, should they materialize in Washington's policy,

would open up certain possibilities for bringing the positions of the two powers closer, and for subsequent agreements on arms limitation and disarmament, above all in the field of nuclear weapons."

Mondale told reporters that he only briefly discussed arms control issues, but Gromyko "spoke mostly about arms control."

"I said practically all Americans want arms control, provided they are mutual, provided they are verifiable, provided that both sides strictly comply with terms of those agreements, because all Americans saw those agreements as strengthening our security and reducing tensions," he said.

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Beginning Pottery-Handbuilding	Oct 23, 30, Nov 6, 13	5:00-7:00	\$18*
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Beginning Pottery-Wheel	Oct 4, 11, 18, 25, Nov 1, 8	5:00-7:00	\$25*
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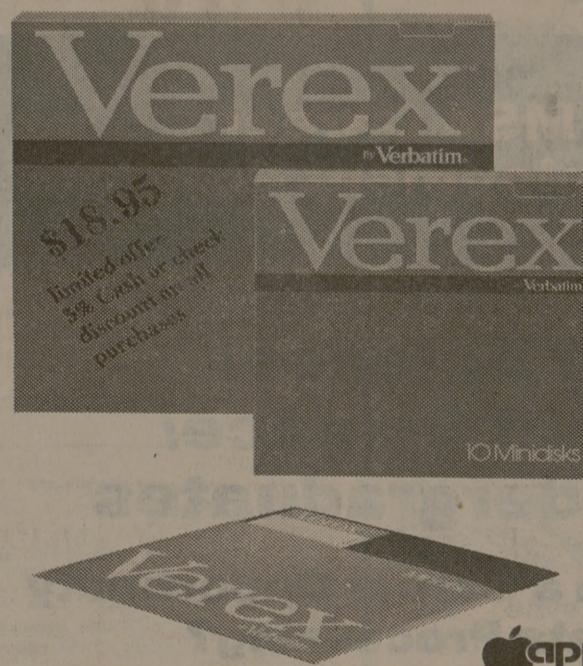
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