

Pre-registration
Sophomores A-K today

Class	Time	Room	Section	Instructor
101	8:00-9:00	101	101	101
102	9:00-10:00	102	102	102
103	10:00-11:00	103	103	103
104	11:00-12:00	104	104	104
105	12:00-1:00	105	105	105
106	1:00-2:00	106	106	106
107	2:00-3:00	107	107	107
108	3:00-4:00	108	108	108
109	4:00-5:00	109	109	109
110	5:00-6:00	110	110	110

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A&M System earns of suit from press

By CATHIE ANDERSON
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Jerry D. Cain, associate general counsel for the Texas A&M University System, said Friday that the System learned of a lawsuit filed by a Tarleton State University professor through the newspapers.

Dr. Roger J.M. De Weist did not sue either the University or the System a copy of his pleadings. De Weist is the second professor within a year to file suit against Tarleton State University. University officials and the System for being denied tenure.

De Weist's lawsuit follows allegations by Dr. James W. Shore, an assistant professor of social science, who charged Tarleton State with denying him tenure "because of his race — black — and because of his exercise of rights guaranteed by the first Amendment of the United States Constitution . . ."

De Weist, head of the hydrology department at Tarleton State, accused the University of breach of contract when he was not granted tenure. His lawsuit states that Tarleton State President Barry B. Thompson promised De Weist tenure after two years of service. De Weist became a professor at the University in 1983.

Defendants in the \$2.5 million lawsuit include Thompson, Tarleton State and the System. Other defendants are Reuben Walther, head of the physical sciences department; Omar Johanson, dean; Robert Fain, vice president of Tarleton State; Alvin Cushman, B.J. Alexander and Tom Pilkington, professors of English; and Don Zelman, professor of social sciences.

De Weist is seeking punitive damages of \$1 million from the university, \$250,000 each from Walter and Johanson; \$200,000 each from Thompson and Fain and \$150,000 from each professor.

Cain said he was uncertain if De Weist's national origin was named as a factor in the lawsuit since De Weist did not send the University or the System copies of his charges. De Weist became an American citizen 22 years ago, having come to the United States from Belgium.

In February De Weist said he thought the University had denied him tenure because he hired an Indian professor as an assistant instead of an American. He said the university had given him a list of 16 Americans to choose from.

De Weist, who was hired in 1983, has a doctorate in engineering from Stanford and was a professor at Princeton University for 17 years. In Jan. 22, De Weist was not granted tenure and was informed by Thompson that his services would be terminated May 31. De Weist's charges called the termination "a capricious and reckless breach of contract."

The System guidelines specify that faculty may teach for a minimum seven-year probationary period before they receive tenure. But a professor who transfers with probationary service in one or more other institutions may serve a shorter probationary term. Such an agreement must be made in writing. At the end of the probationary period, the administration must inform faculty members in writing if they will receive tenure.

Causes for dismissal include professional incompetence, continued repeated neglect of professional responsibilities and the phasing out of institutional programs.

As department head, De Weist wrote a letter to System Chancellor Arthur G. Hansen, saying, "Tarleton will not attract sufficient quantities of students to become respectable to hydrologists . . . Hydrology requires students of the caliber, which one only finds in major Texas universities such as UT — Austin, MU, Texas A&M, Texas Tech and perhaps a few others."

Hansen said that he had no comment on De Weist's lawsuit against the University.

De Weist recommended that A&M take over Tarleton State's hydrology program.



Photo by WAYNE L. GRABEIN

Speak No Evil

Monday morning the woman figure of the "Planned for the Future" statue outside the Memorial Student Center was draped in lingerie. The brassiere on the statue's head could have been a joke or an editorial statement, but in either case it made for an interesting sight. The bra remained on the statue at least until midday, as few passers-by seemed to notice it.

Reagan seeks help to get aid for Contras

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Reagan is enlisting conservative leaders of Washington's national defense establishment to help sell Congress on his request for \$14 million for guerrillas, called Contras, battling Nicaragua's leftist government.

Hoping to demonstrate bipartisan support for the controversial plan, Reagan met Monday with James R. Schlesinger, defense secretary in the Ford administration; Zbigniew Brzezinski, national security adviser

in the Carter White House; and Jeane J. Kirkpatrick, who served four years as Reagan's ambassador to the United Nations.

White House deputy press secretary Larry Speakes described the three as supporters of Reagan's proposal.

Henry A. Kissinger, secretary of state in the Nixon and Ford administrations, was sending Reagan a letter endorsing the initiative, Speakes said. He said Kissinger "will be there in spirit."

The meeting, one day after Reagan returned to the White House from a 10-day California vacation, is the president's first salvo in twin battles with Capitol Hill on Central America and a politically risky budget plan that would kill 17 popular domestic programs and limit Social Security benefit increases.

The budget plan is scheduled to come to the floor of the Senate on April 22; the Nicaraguan proposal will come up for a vote a day later.

Discovery to use 'fly swatter' to turn on satellite's power

Associated Press

SPACE CENTER, Houston — The fate of an \$80 million satellite depends on a pair of fly swatter-like tools made aboard the space shuttle Discovery out of plastic, wire, tape, a few stitches of thread and three aluminum window shade frames.

The devices are designed to snare a lever on the side of the Syncom IV-3. When the satellite was deployed from the shuttle Friday, the four-inch lever failed to flip out and start a timer that turns on Syncom's

power and later triggers a rocket to send it to a high orbit.

The idea of putting a spacewalker near the rotating satellite was abandoned Sunday as too dangerous. If an astronaut or his suit or tether caught on the rotating satellite, he could be ripped off the arm or even be pulled apart.

The engineers at Johnson Space Center went back to work and the result was the "satellite snagger" or "fly swatter." Both designs appeared feasible, so Discovery's astronauts

were instructed to build both.

Both swatters will be attached to the end of Discovery's mechanical arm Tuesday.

On Wednesday, Discovery will fly in formation with the Syncom.

Astronaut Rhea Seddon, controlling the mechanical arm from inside the cabin, will extend the swatters until they touch the surface of the satellite. As Syncom spins, the swatters will brush against it and, hopefully, the lever will roll against the swatter and snag in one of its holes.

Approval of provost needed for 3 positions

Battalion, Aggieland editors named

By REBECCA ADAIR
Staff Writer

Two Texas A&M students were nominated Friday to be summer and fall editors of The Battalion and another was nominated as editor of the Aggieland. The nominees still must be approved by Provost Gordon Eaton.

Kellie Dworaczyk was selected to serve as summer editor of The Battalion and Rhonda Snider was nominated as fall editor for The Battalion. Liz Kahanek was chosen as editor of the 1985-1986 Aggieland.

Dworaczyk, a senior agricultural journalism major from Houston, currently is news editor for The Battalion. Dworaczyk also has been assistant news editor. She will graduate in August.

Dworaczyk said her goal for the

summer is to maintain The Battalion's good work.

"We are doing a good job of getting the news out, and often we're the only source that deals in depth with campus stories," she said.

Snider, current city editor for The Battalion, is a senior journalism major from Huntington who plans to graduate in December.

Facing a possible budget cut of 5 percent, Snider said the hardest part of her job will be deciding where to cut funds. She added that she will try to run the paper as efficiently as possible, and still produce the best paper possible.

Snider said she wants to change the view many students have of The

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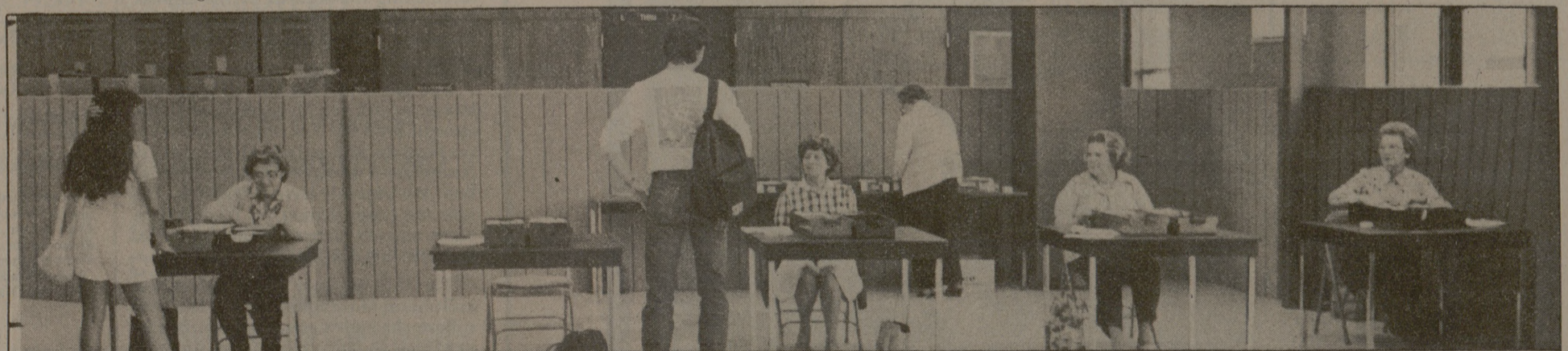
Kellie Dworaczyk



Rhonda Snider



Liz Kahanek



Preregistration running behind schedule

By SARAH OATES
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Preregistration for the fall semester is "running a little bit behind," officials from the registrar's office say, but 8,103 people filed their registration forms last week.

This is the last week of preregistration. About 16,000 more students are expected to preregister for a total of about 22,000 to

24,000 enrolled, said Assistant Registrar Willis Ritchey. Incoming freshmen are not included in the enrollment figures.

"The only problem we're having with preregistration is a shortage of people coming through," Ritchey said Monday.

He said students may be blocked from preregistration for unpaid University traffic violations, or for money owed to the

fiscal office, such as unpaid student loans or fees.

Students also may be blocked for academic reasons, but academic blocks are handled within departments, Ritchey said.

Transfer students who have not sent a final transcript for this semester to the office of admissions may not preregister.

"The only people enrolling are

the people already enrolled," Ritchey said.

To preregister, students should first go to their departments for advising and to pick up preregistration forms.

Students may preregister at the Pavilion from 8 a.m. to noon, and from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

The following is this week's preregistration schedule:

- Today: sophomores with last names beginning A-K.
- Wednesday: freshmen with last names beginning L-Z.
- Thursday: freshmen with last names beginning A-K.
- Friday: Any student may preregister.

Students who preregister will be billed in mid-July, Ritchey said.