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# A&M students go to Soviet Union for culture study

By Christina De Leon  
Reporter

Seventeen Texas A&M students will travel to the Soviet Union this summer for language and cultural studies as participants in the modern language department's summer study abroad.

"We are in for an incredible cultural tour," Dr. Olga Cooke, the organizer of the six-week program, said. She said the trip's highlights will include a two-week tour of the Kremlin, Red Square, Kiev and Leningrad.

Cooke said the first four weeks of the program takes place in Moscow, and concentrates on conversation, cultural and language instruction taught by Soviet teachers.

Students will attend classes four hours each day, six days a week, she said.

Although most students who go on the trip are Russian majors, Cooke said, any A&M student can participate.

However, each student is required to complete two semesters of Russian and an one-hour preparation course before the trip.

The goal of the preparatory class, Cooke said, is to provide students

with opportunities to practice Russian and to prepare students for cultural differences they may encounter.

The class also prepares students for the additional restrictions tourists must follow while traveling in the Soviet Union.

"There are more restrictions on the tourists (in the Soviet Union)," Cooke said.

For example, Cooke said many students do not know that photographing some places may be prohibited.

"You can't assume that you can photograph anything," Cooke said. The class the students take before traveling is meant to make students aware of these types of restrictions.

Once the students arrive in Moscow, the students will be tested for proficiency in Russian and then placed in classes designed for their skill level.

Many of the students who participated in the program last year found that visiting the Soviet Union enabled them to overcome most of the stereotypes people have of the Soviets.

Catherine Zudak, a senior history major, said the Soviet Union is not a grim place like many people think.

"The people were very nice to us," Zudak recalls, adding that most Soviets were impressed that the American students could speak Russian.

Ian Dick, a senior physics major, said he decided to participate last year because he wanted to improve his Russian.

"I figured it was the only way to learn the language," Dick said. He said the trip greatly improved his language skills.

The program, which begins May 20 and ends June 24, costs \$3,300, which Cooke said includes airfare, travel, instruction, texts, accommodations and flight insurance. A \$200 refundable deposit is also required for emergency expenses, she said.

Mark Morgan, a junior biology major and Russian minor, decided to participate in the program this summer because he enjoyed the language.

"I enjoyed Russian enough that I was interested in the cultural aspect of it," he said. He especially looks forward to visiting Moscow and improving his language skills, since opportunities to practice Russian in College Station are difficult to find.

## Lion carcasses prove rumors of animal hunts

HOUSTON (AP) — Two African lion carcasses were found on the Wallisville Reservoir land, confirming rumors that lion hunts are taking place, Army Corps of Engineers officials said.

Corps officials said they found the carcasses earlier this month on federal land purchased for the long-stalled reservoir near the mouth of the Trinity River.

Charles Craddock, a corps ranger who watches over the Wallisville property, said the lion hunt organizer is believed to be a nearby property owner. The hunts probably began on private property, he said.

"The speculation is that a couple of lions ran over onto government property, and they shot them anyway," he said. "My information is that about six lions have been killed in the past two weeks."

The lion carcasses were skinned and headless, and the missing parts are probably now someone's lionskin rugs, Craddock said. He said parts of six goats, apparently used as bait to lure the lions, also were found.

Another discovery near the lion carcasses was a .375 Magnum rifle shell for what Craddock described as "a real elephant gun."

He said the lion carcasses were found about 60 yards apart about 100 yards inside federal property.

Ed White, spokesman at the Army engineers' district headquarters in Galveston, said the corps called Texas Parks and Wildlife Department game wardens after discovering the carcasses.

## What's Up

Friday

**MANAGEMENT 481/VISITING EXECUTIVE SERIES:** Michael C. Thompson will discuss materials and purchasing management at 10 a.m. in 114 Blocker.

**SADDLE AND SIRLOIN CLUB:** will present the Little Southwestern Pig Show at 5:30 p.m. at the Louis Pearce Pavilion.

**UNITED CAMPUS MINISTRIES:** will have a peanut-butter fellowship at 11:30 a.m. at Rudder Fountain. There also will be a Bible study at 6:30 p.m. at 484 Presbyterian Church.

**CAMPUS CRUSADE FOR CHRIST:** will meet at 7:30 p.m. in 108 Harrington.

**LATTER-DAY SAINTS STUDENT ASSOCIATION:** Grant Vest, high counselor from Conroe Texas Stake, will speak at noon at the Institute Building. There will be an LDSSA council meeting at 3 p.m. in the same building.

**ECONOMICS SOCIETY:** Members are invited to a day at Lake Somerville. For more information contact Bill at 764-8280.

**EL SALVADOR STUDENT ASSOCIATION:** will have officer elections at 7 p.m. in 026 MSC.

**ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS:** will have a support group meeting at noon. Call the center at 845-0280 for the room number.

**MEXICAN STUDENTS ASSOCIATION:** will have officer elections at 8:30 p.m. in Rudder Tower. Check the monitor screen for the room number.

**AFRICAN STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION:** will have officer elections at 7 p.m. in 402 Rudder.

Saturday

**INDIA ASSOCIATION:** will present Indian classical music at 7:30 p.m. at the Unitarian Fellowship Church on Welborn Road.

**PRE-LAW SOCIETY:** will have a mock LSAT at 9 a.m. in 150 Blocker. Sign up the appropriate table in the MSC or at the door.

**SADDLE AND SIRLOIN CLUB:** will present Little Southwestern — a lamb, horse and beef show — at 7:30 a.m. at the Louis Pearce Pavilion. There will be a ham auction at 1 p.m. at the event and a spring awards banquet at 7:30 p.m. at the Ramada Inn.

**DANCE ARTS SOCIETY:** will have master classes in ballet from 10 a.m. to noon and in jazz from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. in 268 Read.

**TEXAS STATE GAMES REGATTA COMMITTEE:** will have state championships in rowing, canoeing and kayaking from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Bryan Utility Lake.

**MCINNIS HALL:** will have a free car wash from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Academy Sporting Goods parking lot.

**TAMU WOMEN'S CHORUS:** will have its spring concert "A Choral Revue: A Decade of Excellence" at 8 p.m. in Rudder Theater.

Sunday

**ALPHA PHI OMEGA:** will have officer elections at 7 p.m. in 701 Rudder.

**ODESSA HOMETOWN CLUB:** will meet at Central Park at 3 p.m. for a meeting and volleyball game. Midland students are welcome.

**TAMU INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCERS:** will teach and review folk dances from around the world at 8 p.m. in 212 MSC. Beginning and experienced dancers are welcome.

**CHI ALPHA CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP:** will have a pot luck picnic from 12 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Hensel Park.

Monday

**UNIVERSITY ART EXHIBITS:** will have a symposium: "Western Influence in the People's Republic of China" from 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in 701 Rudder to introduce the new exhibit "Beyond the Open Door: Contemporary Paintings from the People's Republic of China."

**POLITICAL SCIENCE SOCIETY/PI SIGMA ALPHA:** will meet at 7 p.m. in 484 Rudder.

**GREATER BRAZOS OLD CAR CLUB:** will have its first meeting at 8 p.m. in 163 Blocker. The meeting is open to anyone interested in preserving historic vehicles.

Items for What's Up should be submitted to The Battalion, 216 Reed McDermott, no later than three business days before the desired run date. We only publish the name and phone number of the contact if you ask us to do so. What's Up is a Battalion service that lists non-profit events and activities. Submissions are on a first-come, first-served basis. There is no guarantee an entry will run. If you have questions, call the newsroom at 845-3315.

## Local business gets CS computer contract

By Deborah L. West  
Staff Writer

A \$155,000 contract for microcomputers awarded by College Station to a local business will help the city to better manage information and serve the citizens, Linda Piwonka, assistant to the city manager for management services, said.

At a city council meeting this month, College Station awarded the contract to Computer Access, a Northgate business. Piwonka said that the city received proposals from

22 Texas companies and that city officials considered cost, support, location, company history and references before awarding the contract.

Computer Access will supply the city with about 55 microcomputers, which will be delivered from May to the end of September.

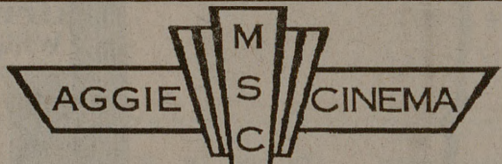
"We are phasing out old microcomputers and standardizing on MS Dos IBM clones," Piwonka said.

John Flynn, the owner of Computer Access, said College Station is now using CPM computers that are too slow.

"The CPM computers aren't expandable and they're slow. On the other hand, MS is a proven product."

Piwonka said the city will be using packaged municipal services such as waste water analysis, office automation programs, Microsoft Word, Lotus and dBase.

"We hope moving into the computer age will help us manage information faster and more accurately," she said.



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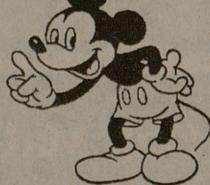
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