Campus News Briefs

A&M architecture team wins national honors

Architecture students at Texas A&M University have taken top honors in a national design competition sponsored by the National Association of Homebuilders.

The 46-member Texas A&M student chapter of the national association finished first with a portfolio of campus and community projects completed during the 1991-92 school

The group competed against more than 30 other student chapters.

The winning presentation featured a child's model playhouse they designed, con-structed and raffled off to raise more than \$5,000 for the Brazos Maternal and Child

The students worked nearly 1,000 hours on the project.

Dr. Larry W. Grosse, the group's faculty adviser and head of the College of Architecture's Department of Construction Science, received the 1991-92 Distinguished Service Award for outstanding leadership as the 1991-92 chairperson of the association's Student Chapters Advisory Board.

Ten chemistry students earn excellence awards

Ten Texas A&M University students received Hoescht Celanese Corp. Excellence Awards for Chemistry and Chemical Engineering Tuesday at the Clayton W. Williams Jr. Alumni Center.

Each award consists of a \$500 and a

Undergraduate chemistry awards went to

gory of El Paso.

The graduate awards went to Wilfredo Colon, San Sebastian, Puerto Rico; Patrick J Farmer, San Antonio; and William A. Wojtczak, Fresno, Calif.

In chemical engineering, undergraduate awards went to Sean Kittle, of Dallas; Terri Stone, Lake Jackson; and Andrew Tsang, New Orleans.

Graduate awards went to Janet Kling of Cleveland, Ohio and Kenji Seto of Somerspoint, N.J.

Diversity Week Awards recognize participants

Texas A&M University's Department of Multicultural Services recognized five individuals and one organization with Diversity Awards for last week's participation in "Celebrate Diversity Week.

Award categories are for a student, student organization, and members of the support staff, professional staff, faculty and administration who distinguish themselves by encouraging and promoting cultural diversity at Texas A&M.

Diversity Awards in the student categories were given to Tanya Williams, a junior journalism major; and to Freshmen Adjusting to College Experiences (FACEs), student organi-

Karen Carroll of the Department of Physics won for support staff; Bonnie Bejarano-Sandars, coordinator of student life orientation in the Department of Student Affairs, for professional staff; Dr. Patricia J. Larke, associate professor of educational curriculum and instruction, for faculty; and Dr. Karen Watson, assistant dean of graduate studies in the College of Engineering, for administrator.

Celebrate Diversity Week" spotlighted African-American, Asian-American, Hispanic

James H. Vu of Arlington and G. Stuart Gre- and Native American cultures through a variety of awareness activities and entertainment

College of Engineering receives \$150,000 grant

The Texas A&M University College of Engineering has received a \$150,000 pledge over five years to endow a Professorship in Computer Science from E-Systems, an electronics systems company based in Dallas.

The inaugural holder of the professorship is Dr. Udo W. Pooch, professor of computer

Pooch's areas of expertise include: operating systems, system architecture, computer communications, networking, fault tolerant systems and real-time systems.

Pooch's research has been sponsored by several government agencies including the U.S. Air Force and the U.S. Navy.

Seminar to assist Indian students with tax returns

A tax treaty seminar for international students from Índia will address questions Thursday related to the completion of 1992 tax returns and 1993 W-4 forms from 10 a.m. to noon at the Memorial Student Center in rooms 225 and 226.

The seminar was scheduled in response to the recent Internal Revenue Service revenue ruling which provides a new interpretation of the United States-India Tax Treaty.

International Student Services is sponsoring the seminar.

For more information about the seminar,

Dallas police plan end to UT-OU party

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

DALLAS - Some alumni are lamenting a plan that could end the tradition of a street party preceding the Texas-Oklahoma football game, but agree that violence associated with the event must

stop.
"You hate to see it come down to this," said Carol Barrett, an associate director of the Ex-Students Association at The University of Texas at Austin.

"But people's safety is more important," she said Tuesday.
Dallas police on Monday introduced their plan before the City Council public safety committee in response to the death of a Carrollton man and injuries of 11 other people at last year's Texas-OU

Catherine Bishop, director of media relations at OU in Norman, referred questions to the presidents of the university and of the students' association.

They did not immediately return telephone calls Tuesday to The Associated Press.

But a member of a Dallas ad hoc committee on Texas-OU weekend said the downtown tradition could be refocused into other activities.

"The first step is two-pronged. One is to get control over Commerce Street. Dallas is too big of a city to have a free-for-all on Commerce Street that we've had for several decades," said Betheny Reid, president of the West End Association.

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Bill outlaws damaging burial sites

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AUSTIN — It would be a crime to intentionally disturb an unmarked burial site, or buy and sell human remains or burial objects, under a bill that won preliminary House approval Tuesday.

The measure "will stop the looting and the desecration of unmarked burial sites throughout our state," said Rep. Bob Hunter, R-Abilene, its sponsor. If approved in another House vote, the bill goes to the Senate for consid-

Hunter said that there has been a problem with looters damaging and desecrating unmarked American Indian graves, as well as those of slaves and Confederate sol-

"They take these pots and the human remains and sell them on the international market at sometimes thousands of dollars," he said. "This has, of course, been a very great affront to our three Native American tribal groups in Texas," citing the Kickapoo, Tigua and Alabama-Coushatta.

The bill would make it a felony, punishable by up to a 10 years in prison and a \$10,000 fine, to knowingly disturb an unmarked burial site; take any human remains or burial objects from the site; or to buy, sell or barter those remains or objects.

The bill also would make it a misdemeanor, punishable by up to a year in a jail and a \$2,000 fine, to knowingly display skeletal remains for profit.

In addition, someone who discovered an unmarked grave would be required to report it to authorities, and the state archaeologist would assess the site and notify appropriate Indian or ethnic group leaders.

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