

# Corps: Cadets pass on their ranks

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wars in Korea and Vietnam. "We all felt a sense of temporariness," Fenton said. "We didn't know where we were going or where our lives were headed. It was wartime."

Even so, Fenton said Final Review was exciting and patriotic for he and his family.

"I remember it being like a fair day or a circus," he said. "One of those massive days where thousands of pictures are taken."

Fenton said the first time he visited A&M to see if he wanted to attend, he happened to visit the day of Final Review. The excitement of the atmosphere was catching and he said he could not wait to enter in the fall.

"The band was playing, a million flags were flying, guidons

were popping in the breeze," Fenton said.

Fenton said the reason for all the excitement comes from the feeling of achievement that comes from having a class structure. Some of the changes cannot be easily explained to those who have not experienced it all, he said.

"It's all about pulling those boots on," he said. "Or the feeling of putting on a white belt after wearing a black belt for two years."

Fenton said Final Review is a different feeling for upperclassmen and lowerclassmen, and for seniors the feeling can be shocking.

"It's different when you're a freshman and all you had to do was pull the peak out of your cap," he said. "It really never hits home to some people until

they pull those spurs off.

"When you're standing out there, a little bit of history blows by you. Nothing can compare to standing out there on the drill field and seeing this transformation take place."

The Corps of Cadets Center has archives on Final Review, Fenton said. Some of the displays include the cast of a senior boot that a doctor made for a cadet so he could march as a senior in Final Review.

Fenton said there is also a sculpture of two twin cadet brothers embracing that was sculpted from an old newspaper clipping of Final Review. The cast and the picture show some of the spirit and camaraderie of the event.

"Final Review epitomizes the word 'spirit,'" Voelkel said. "It's what our Corps is all about."

# Banquet: Former Students honor faculty, staff

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contributions to the University." Distinguished Achievement Awards were given in six categories: teaching, research, student relations, staff, administration and continuing education.

There were nine recipients of the award for teachers who showed an outstanding knowledge of their discipline and superior teaching methods and relationships with students.

Scott W. Austin, an associate professor of philosophy, was honored because of his quest to teach philosophy and his ability to encourage students to do their best.

Oral Capps Jr., a professor of agricultural economics, was honored for his unique teaching techniques — being able to bring the small class atmosphere to large lecture setting.

Chester S. L. Dunning, an associate professor of history, was honored for his heartfelt concern and respect for students, and has been called a "master teacher" and a "guiding light" by students.

Jack R. Nation, a professor of psychology, was honored for his ability to excel in both classroom teaching and research. Although he heads three major research projects, Nation continues to teach a full load of courses.

Linda H. Parrish, a professor of educational psychology, was honored because she teaches more than 600 students per year and strongly

impacts the education of disabled and at-risk children in Texas.

Vivian L. Paul, a professor of architecture and associate dean for international programs in the College of Architecture, was recognized as a woman of action and honored for attention to detail and architectural history.

Wayne M. Saslow, a professor of physics, was honored because he strives to have students understand and appreciate the principles of physics, not just to teach formulas and equations.

David M. Symanski, an associate professor of marketing, was honored for his directive to "internationalize" curriculum and his personal interaction with students.

Michael D. Willard, a professor of veterinary small animal medicine and surgery, was honored for his clinical rotations, being cited as the most influential professor by 50 percent of the students in the College of Veterinary Medicine.

Six awards were given to outstanding researchers who have been recognized locally, regionally and internationally.

H. W. Brands, a professor of history, was honored for his clarity in writing and the abundance of his publications.

Edgar K. Browning, a professor of economics, was honored for his contributions as a public finance accountant, and has been praised by colleagues worldwide.



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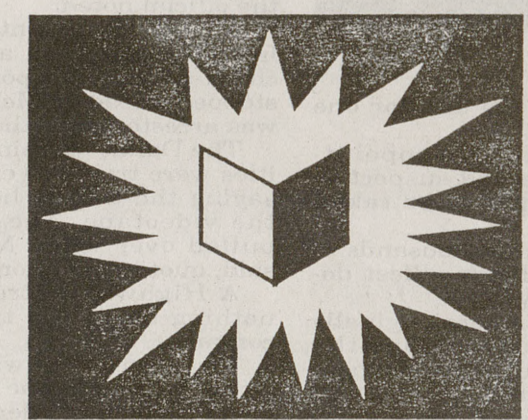
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