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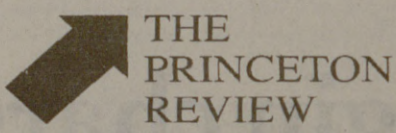
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Oceanography department celebrates 50th anniversary with many activities

BY RICHARD BRAY
The Battalion

In 1949, Texas A&M became the first college in the United States to offer a degree in oceanography, and today the department celebrates its 50th anniversary.

Dr. William Bryant, head of the Department of Oceanography, said a dinner today and a symposium Saturday will celebrate the anniversary.

He said there will be six speakers at the dinner, including the director of the National Oceanography and Atmospheric Agency, four speakers from the industry and one from A&M.

Bryant said the oceanography advisory council will be inaugurated during the celebration and A&M's department is one of the best in the nation.

"It is the oldest Department of Oceanography in the country and we are ranked in the top 10 of the oceanographic departments within the country," he said.

Bryant said the department has increased the amount of information avail-

able about the ocean floor.

"We've opened up knowledge of the oceans, particularly in the Gulf of Mexico, the Caribbean and the Atlantic," he said. "Some of the more renowned oceanographers have graduated from A&M."

Gerard Farrell, a media relations specialist for university relations, said department's success is due in large part to their faculty.

"We have some of the foremost research scientists in the world," he said.

"Dr. John Morse, for example, who will be installed as the Scherck Chair in oceanography, is extremely highly regarded."

Farrell said the oceanography department is continuing to conduct research and make advances in the field. He said the goal of the future is to continue to be a ranked university in the field of oceanography.

"Our oceanography department is presently working on the correlation between the ocean and weather and climat-ic events," he said.

Committees created for MSC programs

BY CHRIS MENCZER
The Battalion

The 1999 fall academic semester has seen the creation of five new committees, through the MSC Rec Committee office, all with a common goal of improving the quality and national recognition of special events, speakers, and the academic community at MSC.

Nathan Cray, executive vice president for programs office, said the new committees will be the Icons Committee, the Professor Series, the Ideas, the MSC Rec Committee and E. L. Lecture Series.

"The Icons Committee will work toward recognizing well known people from popular culture, from Nobel Prize winners to entertainers."

Ryan Brown, Icons committee chair and a mechanical engineering major, said his office is dedicated to improving the quality and quantity of visitors to MSC.

"Many of these speakers tour college campuses that's never gone on here at A&M," he said. "It's created to address this need."

Icons may begin programs as early as this fall and should start this spring.

Possible initial speakers and programs include Michael Moore of Comedy Central, Dr. Ruth Westheimer, Conan O'Brien's Andy Richter, and "Loveline."

Brown said the Professor Series will focus on private lectures and discussion groups for A&M students and professors.

Seth Horne, chair of the MSC professor series, said the format will be less formal, with the small sessions taking place in the teachers' home, and focusing on topics not necessarily within the professor's field of expertise.

Horne said this format will level the field between teacher and student, and foster greater understanding between the two.

Brown said the E. L. Lecture Series, which focuses on science and technology special events, will sponsor forums to discuss current campus and societal issues.

Campus Calendar

Friday

Sunday night at St. Mary's Catholic Church activity center.

India Business and Technology Consortium: A panel discussion on the "Impact of the Internet in India — e-commerce and sociological" will be held from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. in the MSC. For more information, contact Sunil at 268-4040.

Friends of the Library: A book sale will be held at Manor East Mall in Bryan from 9 a.m. until 8 p.m. Books of all kinds and for all ages will be available. For more information call 846-4590.

Hillel (Jewish Student Organization): Simchat Torah Party will be held at the Hillel Building, 800 George Bush Drive, at 8 p.m. For more information, contact Aaron at 695-0787.

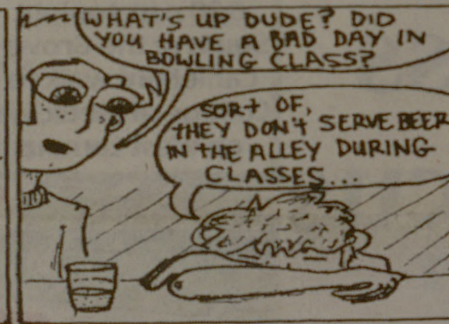
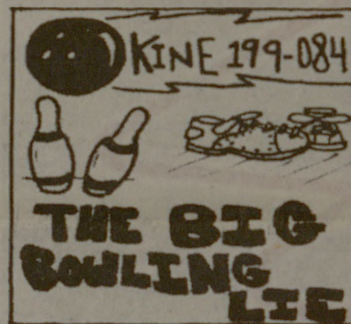
Monday

Pre-Pharmacy Society: There will be a guest lecturer from Texas Tech at 7 p.m. in MSC 230.

Italian Club: The film *Il Postino* (The Postman) will be presented in Italian with English subtitles in Academic Building 130 at 7 p.m.

Laredo Hometown Club: There will be a general meeting at 8:30 p.m. in Rudder 502. For more information call Sara Martinez at 696-0968.

SIDE BURN CLUB



Saturday

Friends of the Library: A book sale will be held at Manor East Mall in Bryan from 9 a.m. until noon. Books of all kinds and for all ages will be available. Call 846-4590 for more information.

Kappa Delta Chi Sorority, Inc.: There will be a 5-K/ 3-K Fun Run at 8:30 a.m. Race starts behind the Heep building on Texas A&M's West Campus. Pre-registration at MSC on Friday or registration on race day. Cost is \$10 and benefits breast cancer research.

Sunday

Catholic Students Association: There will be a \$3 all you can eat hamburger dinner from 6:30 to 9.

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