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# Board of Regents Approves 1984-85 Budget

An operating budget of \$48,897,505 for Prairie View A&M University's new fiscal year beginning September 1, 1984 was approved by the Texas A&M University System Board of Regents during its May meeting.

The university's 1984-85 budget represents an increase of nearly \$2 million over the current level of funding.

In other business affecting Prairie View the regents approved the administra-

tion's request to increase room and board, student services fees and laundry charges to offset increased operating costs.

The regents also approved the appointment of Dr. Thomas J. Cleaver as Vice President for academic affairs as recommended by President Percy A. Pierre. Cleaver is a native of the Prairie View Community and member of a prominent family long associated with the university community.



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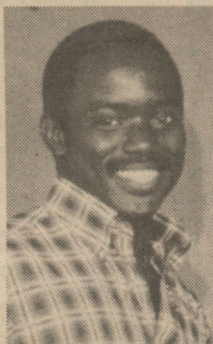
### Tops In The May '84 Graduating Class



Jamie Phelps



Tyra Phillips



Eddie Marbley



Donna Shanks

Students with the highest academic averages were James Phelps (Chemistry) and Tyra Phillips (Math-Computer Science). Students receiving University Awards for outstanding contributions: Eddie Marbley (Chemistry) and Donna Shanks (Biology).

### Media Appreciation Day — June 6

The Offices of Development, University Relations and Information Services are sponsoring a Media Appreciation Day on Wednesday, June 6.

Many representatives of

Houston area television, radio, newspapers and other publications have accepted invitations to attend a special luncheon hosted by President and Mrs. Percy Pierre. The group will be greeted by the president and

will participate in a tour of the campus.

### National Alumni Meet Set June 21-24 in Ft. Worth

The Tenth Annual Convention of the National Prairie View A&M University Alumni Association is scheduled to be held at the Hilton Hotel in Fort Worth, Texas on June 21-24.

The theme for the convention is "Today's Challenge; Tomorrows Opportunity."

### Construction On All-Faiths Chapel Now in Progress

Prairie View A&M's All-Faiths Chapel is now under construction on the front campus location east of the entering traffic lights.

In the meantime activities are underway to raise additional funds for the Chapel project which will provide needed facilities not included in the existing contract. Reverend W. Van Johnson, Dean of Chapel, is working with several special committees already active in fund raising efforts.

Local Prairie View area citizens are reporting real progress in soliciting support for the campaign.

### Youth Leadership Laboratory Set For June 13-15

By Gloria J. Boyd

The Cooperative Extension Program at Prairie View A&M University will sponsor its third annual "Youth Leadership Laboratory" June 13th through 15 on campus. The purpose of the "Youth Leadership Laboratory" is to expose youth, ages 14 through 19 to career, vocational and educational opportunities that may be available through attending institutions of higher learning.

It is anticipated that approximately 175 youth from twelve surrounding Texas counties will attend this year's Youth Lab. The event will officially begin at 2:00 p.m. in the Animal Industries Building auditorium.

A variety of educational workshops are planned for the youth ranging in subject matter areas from computer usage to horse care. For more information about the Youth Leadership Lab, contact Ms. Gloria J. Boyd at (409) 857-3812.



COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER — Georgia Senator Julian Bond (left) accepts appreciation plaque from PV President Dr. Percy A. Pierre during graduation services held on Sunday, May 13.

### Over 500 Receive Degrees

### "Opportunities Increasing" Bond Tells Graduates

Longtime civil rights advocate Julian Bond told the 500 Prairie View A&M University graduates Sunday that they are a part of the talented ten percent of our population and "that there is hope that you can get some of the advantages now open to only a few."

The Georgia Senator reminded the mostly Black graduating classes that they are "special and they had to work extra hard to reach this point in their lives. He cited examples of problems in America's Black communities, particularly unemployment, but added that the future ahead looks better.

Texas A&M University System Regent Dr. John B. Coleman spoke briefly, calling

for support of The Constitutional Amendment (Higher Education Assistance Act) which will be submitted to Texas voters on November 6. He recognized the increasing number of white students in the graduating groups and added that The Texas A&M System is pledged to promote further intergration in all of its components.

Representing University System Chancellor Arthur G. Hansen at the ceremonies was Dr. Mark Money, Vice Chancellor for Research Park and Corporate Relations. Congressman William (Bill) Patman, 14th Texas District, was a special guest and a member of the President's party. The ceremonies were

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### Heads Academic Affairs

### Dr. Cleaver Elevated To Vice President Post

Dr. Thomas J. Cleaver has been named vice president for academic affairs at Prairie View A&M University.

Cleaver's appointment was confirmed Tuesday by The Texas A&M University System Board of Regents upon the

recommendation of Prairie View A&M President Percy A. Pierre.

Dr. Cleaver had been serving in the position on an acting basis since last September.

"Dr. Cleaver was selected as the best person for the job after extensive consultation and analysis," noted Dr. Pierre, who pointed out that a faculty-staff-student committee unanimously endorsed him as the top choice for the key academic post at Prairie View.

In conjunction with Dr. Cleaver's appointment, the regents gave their formal approval for him to accept Governor Mark White's invitation to serve on the Teacher's Professional Practice Commission.

Dr. Cleaver had previously served on the Texas State Commission on Standards for

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Dr. Thomas Cleaver



COMMUNICATIONS GRADUATES — Beginning second from left are Brenda Bailey, Charles Williams, Pamela Floyd, Vanessa Shippard, and Phillip Andrews. On the ends are Dr. Millard Eiland (left), department head, and staff member Curtis Johnson.



**BOY SCOUTS FUND DRIVE** — Prairie View's local scouting program was represented at an appreciation dinner held for leaders and supporters of the Annual District Fund Drive in Sealy. Pictured at the event are (l-r) Cubmaster Cube Charleston, Dr. A. D. Stewart, and Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Berry.

### Mrs. Bell Serves on Advisory Committee For Regional Workshop

Mrs. Ruby Bell has been invited to serve on the Advisory Committee for the Summer Research and Development Workshop for Faculty from Minority Institutions. This workshop is sponsored by the U. S. Department of Transportation, Urban Mass Transportation Administration (UMTA).

The Summer Workshop will be conducted jointly by Atlanta University and North Carolina A&T State University, in Atlanta and Greensboro respectively.

Mrs. Bell will serve in an advisory capacity as related to (1) Selection of faculty participants from Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU's); and, (2) Curriculum design to include expository lectures, seminars, field trips, and a practicum. She also served on the Advisory Committee for the Summer 1983 Workshop which was hosted by Howard University, Washington, D.C.

Selection of participants will take place on May 29 at North Carolina A&T State, Greensboro.

### Commencement

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opened with greetings from the Student Government Association president Gerald P. Wright.

Prairie View A&M President, Dr. Percy A. Pierre conferred degrees on the candidates for graduation and gave recognition to the 103 persons graduating with honors.

The ceremonies also included recognition of thirty-one Army ROTC graduates who had been commissioned hours earlier in the Army of the United States. Five Naval ROTC graduates received

## Prairie View Alumni News

The Prairie View Local Alumni Association sponsored a picnic for the graduating seniors of Prairie View A&M University, May 12, 1984 at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. George Higgs. During the Picnic, the 1984-85 officers of the Prairie View Local Alumni Association were installed by the National President of Prairie View Alumni Association, Mr. Talmadge Sharpe. The new officers are: Mr. Richard D. Hayes, President; Mrs. Dorothy Sargent, President Elect; Mrs. Ruby Bell, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Gladys Wallace, Corresponding Secretary; Mr. George Higgs, Treasurer; Mr. Samuel Montgomery, Chaplain; Mrs. Jimmie Ruth Phillips, Historian; Mr. Ollie Williams, Parliamentarian and Mrs. Esel Bell, Liaison Officer.

It is the desire of the officers to carry on the outstanding work of those who have served in the past by observing the following guidelines:

1. To promote closer fellowship among the alumni of the community and surrounding areas.

2. To establish a medium for serving and supporting the University for the advancement of Higher Education, and

3. To keep the alumni informed concerning the Alma Mater.

The Tenth Annual National Prairie View Alumni Convention will convene June 21-24, 1984 at the Ft. Worth Hilton, Ft. Worth, Texas. The theme for the convention is: "Today's Challenge: Tomorrow's Opportunity."

For further information concerning the National Convention, please contact: The General Convention Chairman: Mr. William Johnson — (817) 536-2392 or Ms. Ruth E. Roberts — (817) 293-8724, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Bell — (409) 857-3332 or Mr. George Higgs — (409) 857-3226.

We look forward to seeing you at the convention.

commissions in the Navy and Marine Corps.

Bachelor degrees awarded by the eight colleges included Agriculture-27, Arts and Sciences-142, Business-96, Education-31, Engineering-101, Engineering Technology-44, Home Economics-20, and Nursing 37. A total of 98 persons received Masters of Arts and Master of Science degrees.

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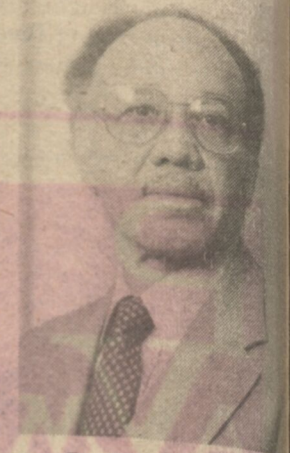
### Agricultural Project

## Dr. Freeman Conducts Kenyan Manpower Review

Dr. Theodore R. Freeman, Dean, College of Agriculture at Prairie View A&M University served as the manpower development specialist on a three-man team that recently evaluated the \$60.0 million Agricultural Support Systems Project which the U. S. Agency for International Development has sponsored in Kenya over the past five years.

The team also consisted of Dr. Richard Newberg of USAID and Dr. Howard Reem of the University of Wisconsin. Dr. Newberg served as team leader and general agriculturalist, while Dr. Reem served as the Range Research Specialist, and Dr. Freeman served as manpower development specialist. Dr. Freeman reviewed the requirements and utilization of professional and sub-professional agricultural manpower and Kenya's capability to train additional personnel.

According to Dr. Freeman, Kenya has made great strides in recent years in developing strong institutions for training agricultural manpower. The latest addition to these training resources was the \$23.0 million expansion of Egerton College located in Kenya's Rift Valley. This expansion allowed the College to expand its enrollment from 500 to 1400 students over the past three years. Normally, this expansion along with growth in other institutions would enable Kenya to meet its manpower requirements within the next



Dr. Theodore Freeman Returns From Africa

few years. However, the population of Kenya is growing at the alarming rate of 4.0 percent annually. This population growth is resulting in pressure in the country's arable land areas and this pressure will force Kenya to seek greater levels of efficiency in the use of its land as well as manpower utilization, according to Dr. Freeman.

### Cleaver —

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Teacher Education and the Governor's Advisory Committee on Education.

He earned his doctorate in science education at the University of Texas at Austin and, before joining Prairie View as dean of education last year, taught at the University of Colorado and UT-El Paso.

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Texas Students Visit Northeast

## Wesley Foundation Group in Disarmament Discussions



**PV-ITES IN MANHATTAN** — Members of the PV delegation pictured in Downtown Manhattan. (L-R) Rev. Taylor, Jennifer Edwards and James Youboty.

On Saturday, May 12, 1984 a three-man delegation which includes Rev. Therman Taylor, Jennifer Edwards and James Youboty departed for a one week disarmament talk in New York City and Washington, DC to represent Prairie View A&M University Wesley Foundation. The delegation spent three days in New York and four days in Washington, DC.

The Prairie View delegation was joined by other students from University of Houston,

Sam Houston University, Lamar University and Stephen F. Austin to acquire similar goals.

In New York, the groups toured the United Nations Center, the World Trade Center and many other important places in this 'don't care' city. The groups had talks with the U.S. Mission and the Soviet Mission to the United Nations. Both missions accused each other of being the first to produce nuclear weapons. They however,

assured the groups that the nuclear weapons are being manufactured for deterrence purpose only and not to declare nuclear war.

The delegations left for Washington, DC on Wednesday and toured the Capitol, the White House, the Pentagon and other important places. At the Pentagon, the groups were briefed by the Pentagon Briefing officer Major Peter Helfer. He also stated that the weapons are being produced for deterrence; and the United

States will keep on producing to keep in line with the Soviet Union.

After all those educational talks, the delegation returned to Texas on Saturday, May 19, 1984.

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## News Briefs

**Dr. C. L. Strickland, Sr.** coordinator of the Agricultural Education program at PV A&M delivered the main address at graduation exercises of Crockett High School on May 18.

A native of Pittsburg, Texas, Strickland is a graduate of the University and earned the Masters degree at the University of Illinois and the doctorate at North Carolina State University.

**Ron Henson**, a Rice University (B.S.) and Prairie View A&M (Master's) has been selected as Superintendent of the Refugio (TX) School District. The former high school principal had served as coordinator of driver education and health and physical education. He had earlier taught English in Temple, Texas and at one time played professional baseball with the Cleveland Indians.

**Creative Writing**, Drama 1143, will be offered both semesters during the summer. The course is open to all students who are interested in writing poetry, short stories or plays. For more information contact Dr. Shine, extension 2356.

**Dr. Herbert N. Watkins**, Executive Vice President for Administration, participated recently in a seminar sponsored by the Minority Recruitment and Equal Opportunity Committee of the American Institute of Public Accountants. The committee sponsors a seminar each year for accounting faculty members at minority institutions.

**Miss Houston Debutante Pageant** — Ladies 18-22, applications are now being accepted for the 1984 Miss Houston Talented Debutante Pageant. For further information call 541-0627 or 437-8159.

**Wesley Foundation Trip** — Reverend Thurman Taylor and members of the Wesley Foundation participated in a retreat in Lakeview, Texas recently. It was announced by James Wright, student president.

**Mrs. Jimmie P. Poindexter**, was recently invited to be a delegate to the Fourth Robert Lee Sutherland Seminar, sponsored by the Hogg Foundation for Mental Health, in Austin Texas. The seminar topic was "Looking Forward: Texas and Its Elderly." Recommendations were formulated for the Texas Legislature at this meeting.

Mrs. Poindexter holds a Specialist Certificate in Aging. She has lectured on aging and is a strong advocate for the elderly.

**College of Nursing Grant** — Prairie View A&M University College of Nursing has received an initial \$60,000 grant from the Ralston Student Loan Fund. The grant will be used to provide low interest loans to deserving nursing students enrolled in the College of Nursing.

**President Pierre With El Paso Alumni** — Dr. Percy A. Pierre, President of Prairie View A&M University addressed the El Paso Prairie View A&M Alumni Chapter on May 26, 1984 at their annual meeting.

**Dr. Hill Appointed to Education Council** — Dr. Johnny R. Hill, Vice President for Development and University Relations has been appointed to a three year term on the Texas A&M University-Educational Administration Program Advisory Council. The Program Advisory Council will play a crucial role in helping to provide the best possible preparation program in educational administration for prospective educational leaders.



Villa Caparra, on the road from San Juan to Bayamon, was the first Spanish settlement in Puerto Rico. It was founded by Juan Ponce de Leon in 1508.

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### FEE INCREASE EFFECTIVE FALL, 1984

The Texas A&M University System has approved the following fee increase for the University effective Fall Semester, 1984:

FEE	FROM	TO
<b>STUDENT SERVICE FEE (Maximum)</b>		
Per Semester	\$ 60	\$ 90
Per Summer Term	30	45
<b>LAUNDRY</b>		
Per Semester	72	79
Per Summer Term	28	31
<b>BOARD</b>		
Per Semester	636	700
Per Summer Term	265	292
<b>ROOM RENT</b>		
<b>Drew and Holley</b>		
Per Semester	510	561
Per Summer Term	216	238
<b>All Other Dorms</b>		
Per Semester	446	491
Per Summer Term	180	198

For Students

## Ford Motor Company Offers Special Purchase Plan

A special purchase plan for graduating college seniors and graduate students was announced today by Ford Division of Ford Motor Company.

The plan consists of a certificate for a \$400 purchase allowance when a purchase is made from an authorized Ford dealer, and a certificate for Ford Credit financing which includes pre-approved credit.

"We realize that the purchase of a new vehicle may be difficult at a time when you're beginning your career," Ford Division General Marketing Manager Thomas J. Wagner and Ford Credit Marketing Manager John R. Gilker wrote the students. "So we'd like to offer you assistance — the College Graduate Purchase Program."

Letters are being mailed to homes of more than 500,000 students from 449 colleges and universities which supplied their names. Since only students with the purchase allowance and finance plan certificates in their names are

eligible, Wagner said, those who were not included in the initial mailing should contact their local Ford dealer for information on how to qualify.

In addition, the eligible vehicles are limited to those normally appealing most to the lifestyles of the new graduates — 1984 models of Escort, EXP, Ranger, Bronco II, Mustang, Tempo and Thunderbird. The credit available ranges from \$7,500 for Escort to \$12,000 for a Thunderbird or Bronco II.

In order to take advantage of Ford's new and unique offer, students must take their certificates to participating Ford dealers, where the \$400 allowance can be used either as a down payment or result in a direct reimbursement from Ford Division after the sale. Eligible vehicles can be selected from dealer inventories until July 31, 1984, but orders through production must be placed by June 1.

To qualify for the pre-

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## THE PRAIRIE VIEW PANTHER

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Reading and Learning Association

## Dr. Fillyaw Elected to Office of National Professional Group

H. Fillyaw, Ph.D. was elected to the National Office of Treasurer of the Western College Reading and Learning Association (WCRLA) during the recent Conference that was held in San Jose, California.

This was the Seventeenth Annual Conference of the Western College Reading and Learning Association (WCRLA) in San Jose, on 5-8 April.

This is a historical "first" for WCRLA. I am the first Black elected Officer for the Organization and the first elected Black Voting Board Member, Dr. Fillyaw stated.

The position of Treasurer is a two-year position. This position will make me a voting member of the Board of Directors for WCRLA.

I will control all of the funds for the entire Organization for the next two years. Many valuable experiences will be gained from the personal involvement with the various facets of WCRLA.

I look forward to a most successful tenure as Treasurer of WCRLA. I have plans for designing a computerized data transmitting system, which will provide the President and other officers with up-to-date data on any aspects of the budget electronically (via computer). I will employ some of the excellent spreadsheets to assist me with the various tasks.



Dr. H. Fillyaw

### Professor Presents Three Hour Institute

Dr. H. Fillyaw of Prairie View A&M University and Dr. Felton Williams of California State University, Dominguez Hills jointly presented an interesting and thought-provoking three-hour Institute at the Seventeenth Annual Conference of the Western College Reading and Learning Association (WCRLA) on April 5-8.

The Institute was entitled "Techniques for Designing and Conducting Research Models in Learning Assistance." We had been communicating electronically via the microcomputer the entire year. I downloaded his data from the Learning Assistance Center of California State University to Houston, Texas. Statistical analyses were conducted here in Houston, Texas.

## Student Achievement

By Dr. Charles Toliver  
As we come to the end of the Spring Semester, it is appropriate that we pause and recognize those students who have distinguished themselves by taking and performing well in the leadership roles of student government, student activities and also those students who have displayed initiative and accomplishment in their student employment positions.

The leadership skills and work habits you have established in these endeavors will no doubt be those that you will take with you to your future employment situations. I am sure your instructors, your counselors and your residence hall supervisors have discussed with you and coached you on how to be successful in your classes and your college environment. I submit that this same coaching will stand you in good stead in whatever endeavor you embark upon the day after May 13th. Perhaps it might be in order to review these techniques...

Regardless of what you do — housewife, graduate school, initial employment, summer school — you must do your homework and you must learn your responsibilities. Depending upon the type of organization you join — family, corporation, educational institution, you will either provide a service or you will be looking to make a profit. Ladies and gentlemen there will be a grace period, a learning period if you will... there will be many external and internal variables that will

influence your effectiveness, but your productivity in meeting the organization's goals and not the amount of energy you expend will ultimately determine your mobility; be it up, down or out.

Study the work habits and traits of those persons who are successful — if possible pick a sponsor or mentor who knows the ropes and who would be willing to help you learn the ropes. Seek every opportunity to improve your communication skills both oral and written. One of the biggest complaints employers have is today's college graduates cannot write. Effective communication is the most important element to your plans for success.

Another element to consider and a must for success in all areas is the setting of goals and time management skills. Prepare a life map — establish long range goals — plan each day — write down what you want to accomplish each day. What I have been talking about thus far is the knowledge and skills required to do the job. There is one more ingredient that acts like a glue to tie the system together and a catalyst to keep you on track and moving in the direction that you will want to go, and that is attitude. A positive professional attitude is a must. With the proper attitude, it is possible to overcome shortcomings in the other areas. You must have a positive attitude about yourself, about your environment and about your employment.

I urge you to continue to go

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## Prairie View High School

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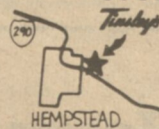
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# Powerlifting Team — A Successful Year

The PVU Powerlifting Team, coached and directed by H. Fillyaw, Ph.D. has had a triumphant and successful school year.

The PVU Powerlifting Team has been provided with many opportunities for students to develop physically and mentally in the sport of weightlifting and bodybuilding. The team has increased its membership with more than 35 active members this year. Yes, this is a "first" for our small, but very powerful Team.

The PVU Powerlifting Team has experienced quite a few "Firsts," this year. These successes served only as motivational forces for the Team to continue to improve. Each success brought about more successes!

PVU's Team challenged the Texas Southern University Lifters on February 3, 1984, after brief practices, due to the extreme winter weather.

PVU came away with a First Place Trophy in the TSU Super Jock Contest. The First place winner was Wayne Ritter. The other winners for the Contest went to Rory Mosely, third place, and Vincent Hyman, fourth place.

Our very first female competitor was Ms. Jean Hensely, who won a second place in the female competition.

The Big Event on Campus that attracts most of the powerlifters and bodybuilders is the Mr. and Miss PVU Bodybuilding Competition. Many of the members of the

PVU Powerlifting Team won trophies at the annual event. The following members won trophies: Mr. PVU, '84, Edwin Bryant, first place; Miss PVU, '84, Jean Hensely, first place; PVU Opened Competition, Gary Hawkins, first place (TSU); PVU Opened Competition, Rory Mosley, fourth place (Mr. PVU 82/83); and Mr. PVU, Rollins Johnson, second place.

The powerlifting team is gaining more and more popularity on campus and throughout the state. We look forward to more positive victories from this small, but winning team. We are proud to be the only competing powerlifting team in the Southwestern Region among the predominately Black colleges and universities.



**NURSES PINNING CEREMONY** — Twenty-four nurses pictured above were involved in the College of Nursing's Pinning Ceremonies held on May 12 at Palmer Memorial Episcopal Church in Houston. (Photo by Roy Pace Photography)

# Communications Major Set for Internship At Gannett's Lansing (Mich.) Journal

By Diana Fallis and Bernita Turner

It's not every day that one of our communications majors gets an opportunity to jet off to another state to work for Gannett, one of the largest communications conglomerates in the country. So 22-year-old Cathy Evans didn't take it lightly when she got word from Gannett representative, Vivian Ray, that she was among a select group of 25-students chosen for a Gannett summer internship. Cathy competed nationwide for her coveted position, but her good fortune did not come without hard work.

It was back in January that the attractive co-ed began the search for a summer internship. She seized the opportunity to attend the annual Howard University Communications Conference in Washington, D.C. Once there, Cathy interviewed several

companies. She also approached the Gannett representative and obviously made a favorable impression. But, it was several weeks before Cathy knew if she was accepted.

She said, "I was on pins and needles. I just didn't know what to do, and I really wanted the position with Gannett because Gannett is a big step and it's such a diversified company." (Gannett counts among its many acquisitions 88 newspapers, 33 non-daily publications and 13 radio stations in the top twenty markets.)

Word finally came from the conglomerate that Cathy was among the chosen few selected to build upon the communications skills she learned at Prairie View University. "I was elated, very elated when I received word because I feel it was a big step for me, and I was excited," she said.

In June, Cathy will take off for Lansing, Michigan to work for the Lansing State Journal. She'll be assigned to sales and advertising, two areas of special interest to her. Cathy believes this is a major career break.

"It's a big step and a big opportunity for me. Being a senior and coming out pretty soon, I feel that I can grow and go to my highest potential!"

"I feel like a horse at a racetrack in the gates where I'm waiting for the gun to shoot off and Gannett has given me that opportunity. I feel that I will be able to grow with the company and do many things!"

While Cathy attributes a host of things to her success, including hard work, drive and ambition, she also credits the Communications Department at Prairie View with being instrumental in helping her obtain her goals. "I learned a lot from Prairie View and especially the Communications Department. We have a lot of professional people here, and I was taught by the best, and I feel it was up to me to go as far

as I could!"

Besides being a good move for her personally, Cathy also thinks the Gannett internship means a lot for Prairie View A&M University.

"I think it's important for the University and my peers in the Department because when I go out there on the job, I will be an ambassador of Prairie View. Wherever I go I will be a Prairie View graduate which will always reflect upon the University and my peers. Also, I think I can bring back more internships from Gannett for communications students behind me at Prairie View!"


To her peers who are setting life goals Cathy has this advice, "I always think you should live life to the fullest because tomorrow is not promised to anyone. And, always go that extra mile to get that extra blessing. I really have to stand by that!"

Cathy is an honor student and has been involved in a multitude of extracurricular activities. She's also been chosen the student leader of the year. In response to being

student leader of the year, she says, "That's another one of God's blessings that he has showered upon me!"

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# A Traveling Unit

While many PV-ites may be lying on the beaches this summer, the Midshipmen of the Naval ROTC unit will be sailing the seven seas. Their adventures will include such geographic locations as Hawaii, the Philippines, Japan, Spain, the Bahamas, and Africa, as they receive training onboard various naval vessels such as aircraft carriers, destroyers, cruisers, frigates, submarine and auxiliary vessels.

The purpose for all this excitement is just another phase in the training and development of a midshipman. The first hand experience onboard ship provides the midshipmen with a more indepth look and appreciation of their future roles in the naval services.

Five midshipmen heading toward their sophomore year will spend the summer living aboard a U.S. Navy ship for the first time. They are Midn. 3/C Nathaniel Prevost and Mid. 3/C Michael Morton, going to the USS Cayuga (LST 1186) Midn. Sarah Jones, going to the USS Acadia (AD 42); Midn. Diego Velasquez, going to Vancouver (LPS 2); and Midn. 3/C Charles Gregory, going to the USS Callaghan (DD 994).

Eight midshipmen will start their summer training in San Diego, California, receiving indoctrination and orientation into various warfares. They are Midn. 2/C Torilus Ward, Midn. 2/C Michael Malone, Midn. 2/C Alvin Small, Midn. 2/C Derrick Roberts, Midn. 2/C Lafayette Turner, Midn. 2/C Kenneth Williams, Midn.

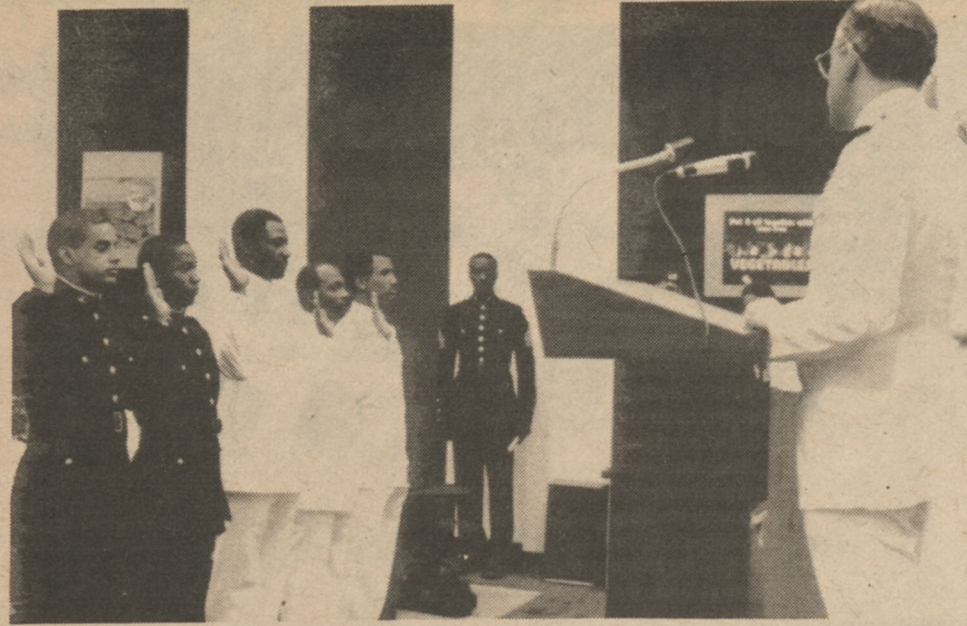
There are about 5,000 llamas in the United States, and their use as pack animals is increasing. The popularity of these delicate-looking beasts of burden is based not on their good looks, but on their efficiency and their limited environmental impact on wilderness trails.

2/C Audwin Matthews, and Midn. 2/C Rena Taylor.

Drawing one step closer to commissioning, ten midshipmen will embark on a first class cruise, deploying on some of the finest war and service ships in the world. Midn. 1/C Thomas Hill will train on board the USS Mississippi (CGN 40); Midn. Jonathan Hicks will train on board the USS Juneau (LPD 10); Midn. 1/C David Booker will train on board the USS Boston (SSN 703); Midn. 1/C Kelvin Sanders will train on board the USS Dubuque; and Midn. 1/C Kenneth Bilton will train on board the USS Dubuque.

It is extremely significant to note that for the first time in the history of the unit women midshipmen will receive training on board naval vessels. They are 1/C Sheryl Brooks who will be going to the USS Tarawa (LHA 1); 1/C Karyn Nelson who will be going to the USS Norton Sound (AUMC); Midn. 1/C Leslie Hobbey, Midn. 1/C Valerie Baity who will be going to the USS Cape George (AD 43); and Midn. 2/C Rena Taylor and Midn. 3/C Sarah Jones who are mentioned above.

Midn. 1/C Valerie Gait will attend Marine Corps School at Quantico, Virginia.



NAVAL ROTC COMMISSIONING — Five NROTC graduates are shown being commissioned by Captain Byron A. Wiley, USN. (Story on page 7)

## NROTC Spring Review 1984

The 16th Annual Naval ROTC Spring Review and Awards Ceremony was, in the eyes of those attending, a highly successful event. After many hours of planning, coordinating, and marching, one can only hope for the best once the adjutant sounds attention. In spite of all the pomp and circumstance, the most important phase of the ceremony was the presentation of awards to those Midshipmen who through hard work and dedication earned special recognition for academic and military achievements.

For the past 16 years, it has been the tradition of the Naval ROTC Unit to recognize the achievements of its Midshipmen through an official ceremony in the presence of a distinguished senior officer. This year's distinguished guest was Vice Admiral James A. Sagerholm, Chief of Naval Education and Training. In Admiral Sagerholm's address to the Battalion, he emphasized the importance of excellence and preparing and meeting the challenge of a very technical and competitive Navy.

Those Midshipmen receiving awards were: Midshipman 1/C John McGruder, recipient of

the Navy League Nimitz Sword for the Graduating Senior with the highest cumulative GPA; Midn. 1/C Paul Judice, recipient of the Houston of Commerce Sword for the Most Outstanding Midshipman; Midn. 1/C Douglas Malone, recipient of the Naval Academy Alumni Sword for the graduating senior who demonstrated the greatest aptitude for the Service; Midn. 1/C Kenneth Bilton, recipient of the National Naval Officers Association Achievement Award (sword) for demonstrated leadership and top 25 percent of the NROTC class and the recipient of the Houston Society of American Military Engineers Award for outstanding NROTC engineering graduating from Prairie View A&M for 1984; Midn. 3/C Torilus Ward, recipient of the Naval Reserve Association plaque for top NROTC Midshipman; Midn. 2/C Alvin Small and Midn. 2/C Alphonso Woods, recipients of the Reserve Officer Association Certificate and Medal for outstanding leadership qualities and academically in the top ten percent of the class; Midn. 2/C Sheryl Brooks, recipient of

the Fleet Reserve Association Award for outstanding leading ability and proven academic performance; Midn. 2/C Karyn Nelson, recipient of the National Sojourners Medal for outstanding leadership potential, high ideals of Americanism, and top 25 percent of the class academically; Midn. 3/C Kenneth Williams, recipient of the Sons of American Revolution for Superior academic and Military proficiency; Midn. 1/C Charles Mason, recipient of the U. S. Naval Institute Certificate for demonstrated outstanding ability; Midn. 2/C Ira Campbell, recipient of the America Legion's Medal for the highest aptitude; Midn. 3/C Derrick Roberts received the American Legion's Medal for academic excellence. Also, the following Midshipmen received Distinguished Midshipmen Ribbons: Midn. 4/C Nathaniel Prevost, Midn. 3/C Rena Taylor, Midn. 2/C Sheryl Brooks, Midn. 1/C Kenneth Bilton. Midshipmen receiving Meritorious Achievement Ribbons were: Midn. 4/C Michael Malone, Midn. 4/C Sarah Jones, Midn. 2/C Karyn Nelson and Midn. 1/C Alison Sanford.

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PARTICIPANTS IN FIRST ARMY-NAVY GAME.

By Douglas R. Malone

1. The first Annual Army and Navy Games were held on 14 April 1984 on the school athletic grounds. The games consisted of basketball, football, softball, volleyball, sprint races, dizzy lizzy, fireman's carry, two mile relay and the tug-a-war. The event began at 0800 and ended at approximately 1415.

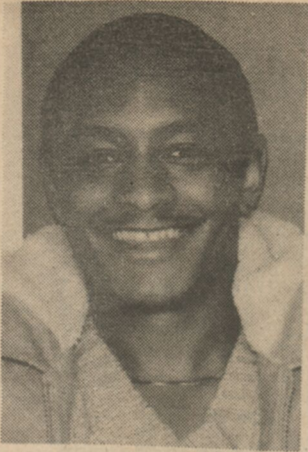
2. The games will be held annually and this year's games

were won by the Navy with a score of 98 to 91 or six games to three. The games were based on a point system which would give the loser a chance to win in a close competition. The Navy won the following games for the following points: Basketball — 15, football — 12, volleyball — 10, fireman's carry — 10, tug-a-war — 1 and two-mile relay — ten.

3. The midshipmen who participated acted admirably pulling together as a team.

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## Student Officer Expresses Thanks

On Thursday, April 26, 1984, the Student Government Election of Prairie View A&M was held. This election was most vital in their rights will be represented during the 1984-85 school term. Thanks to the support of my peers, the election process was a very prosperous and enjoyable experience for me. I am greatly obligated to the students of Prairie View A&M University for confiding in me by voting in my favor. I am very positive that your support will serve as a very instrumental motivational device in my efforts to



Dr. Flossie M. Byrd guiding important changes in the College of Home Economics.

fulfill all of the duties that my office demands and to perform them to the best of my ability. The University of Prairie View A&M is a very productive institution for higher learning. The student body's foremost goal is to preserve and nourish this reputation. This can be achieved only through a strong and influential Student Senate.

Again, thank you for allowing me the opportunity to make a lasting and direct contribution to this highly-touted institution.

By Travis Terry, Jr.

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## Five Navy ROTC Graduates Receive Commissions

The Naval ROTC Unit at Prairie View commanded by Commander Charles L. Tompkins, USN, held its 1984 Spring Commissioning Ceremony on May 13. Five midshipmen were commissioned as officers in the United States Navy and Marine Corps.

Prairie View's newest naval officers are Ensign Paul A. Judice, a native of Norfolk, Virginia. Ens. Judice earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology, and will attend the surface warfare officers school in Newport, Rhode Island; Ensign John W. McGruder, III, Chicago, Illinois earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering, and will attend the nuclear power school in Florida; Ensign Clarence W. Wooten, Lovelady, Texas,

earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering, and will attend the surface warfare officers school in Coronado, California; Second Lieutenant Douglas Malone, Baytown, will attend the basic school in Quantico, Virginia. He earned a Bachelor of Arts in Economics. Second Lieutenant Darrell F. Robertson, Ft. Worth, Texas, earned a Bachelors of Business Administration degree and will attend the basic school in Quantico, Virginia.

Guest speaker for this occasion was Captain Byron A. Wiley, USN, director of the equal opportunity division for the naval military personnel command and special assistant to deputy chief of naval operations or manpower, personnel and training.

Dean Flossie M. Byrd recently announced the first of several changes to occur in the College of Home Economics. Effective September 1, 1984, the undergraduate options will become Human Development and the Family, Human Nutrition and Food, Home Economics Education, and Merchandising and Design. These modifications are the outcome of a three year intensive program review and redirection study which provided guidelines for strengthening and enhancing the programs within the College. The new curricula are relevant, positive in image, futuristic in perspective, and encompass the breadth of education possible through programs in Home Economics.

Dean Byrd stated that the College of Home Economics continues as a significant component of the academic program of Prairie View A&M University through its major functions of teaching, research and public service. The College focuses upon community problems and needs, the efficient utilization of resources available to the individual, the family and the consumer, and the full development of persons in our society. The programs offered within the College are relevant to the goals and aspirations of today's students. These programs are designed to prepare men and women to serve the needs of people in varied environments and in different stages of life. Professional positions sought by our graduates are those which provide the opportunity to better serve individuals and communities and to effect the optimum balance between families and their environments. Career areas for our

graduates include administration and management; marketing and sales; design, manufacturing and processing; media; science; health and human services; and education.

The undergraduate options are characterized by (1) a foundation in the social and natural sciences, (2) a working knowledge of basic science theory and application including the environment, consumer needs, resource management, and the social and emotional milieus of the individual and his family, (3) the acquisition of requisite competencies for entry level professional positions in the major area of study, and (4) preparation for graduate study.

The program in Human Development and the Family is designed to promote the acquisition of knowledge and skills requisite to a professional career in areas related to the child and the family. Students develop competencies in the planning, coordination and administration of learning environments for young children, and the interrelationships of these environments with the family.

The program is organized to provide a specialized understanding of infant and preschool development, day care systems, interaction techniques with young children in group settings and in the family, and program and facilities planning. The program offers educational experiences necessary to meet the demands of the human services profession related to the individual and his family. Students are prepared for positions in child development and family life, in government, social service agencies, youth programs, and private businesses specializing in goods and services for the family.

The program in Human Nutrition and Food is designed primarily for those planning to enter the health services industry through positions in dietetics, human nutrition, or food service systems management. This program provides an excellent foundation in the natural sciences which broadens the career possibilities and provides a background for graduate study.

The program emphasizes the development of entry level competencies which enable students to relate scientific knowledge of nutrition and food to the promotion of positive health, preventative health care, dietary control of disease, and the administration and management of food service institutions.

Students with preparation in Human Nutrition and Food who have earned a bachelor's degree are qualified for professional positions in food service systems in hospitals, schools, colleges, the armed services, in community settings and other public or private institutions. The program meets the American Dietetic Association requirements for hospital internship and American Dietetic Association membership.

The Home Economics Education Curriculum provides preparation for students interested in vocational certification to teach consumer and homemaking education in middle, junior, and high schools. With additional credits, students may prepare for employment for other professional careers in community service including extension, government service, and business and industry.

The Merchandising and design curriculum enables students to develop competencies essential to professions in

the merchandising industry. The ecological, socio-psychological and economic aspects of textiles, apparel and interior design, production, distribution and consumption are essential curriculum features.

The program emphasizes the application of selected principles from the arts and sciences, business and education to merchandising and design problems. The program offerings provide opportunities and experiences which assist students in becoming creative, efficient professionals and contributing members of society.

Students with concentration in merchandising and design are employed in business and industry, educational and governmental agencies, retail buying and selling, fashion coordination, advertising, fashion consulting and commercial garment construction.

Dean Byrd indicated that the new curricula will not impose additional semester hour requirements upon currently enrolled students. She indicated further that these changes are but the first in a series of changes designed to reflect positively upon the College by (1) removal of the stereotype as an area concerned primarily with practical and applied problems of homemakers and homemaking (2) projection of an identity which reflects favorably upon all programs without excluding any; (3) providing a mechanism for informing the public of our foundation in the basic sciences and our status as a professional school; and (4) bolstering the public confidence in our ability to meet the needs of the employment market.

Students may contact Dean Byrd or their major advisers for additional information.

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## Dr. Ashley Gets Distinguished Alumni Award From S.U.N.Y.

On April 26, 1984 in Albany, New York, Dr. Clyde Ashley was presented the "Distinguished Alumnus Award" by the Chancellor of the State University of New York University System, Dr. Clifton R. Wharton, Jr. The Awards Dinner climaxed a week long series of workshops and conferences at the Fifteenth Special Programs Institute held at the luxurious Turf Inn in Albany, New York.

Dr. Ashley received the beautiful plaque that spelled out why he was selected. The plaque reads:

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The selection of Dr. Ashley as the Distinguished Alumnus for Special Programs for the State University of New York (S.U.N.Y.) for the past ten years was made even more significant when it was announced that this was indeed an honor of all honors because he was selected from among 70,000 graduates of Special Programs from the S.U.N.Y. System over the last ten years.

Upon receiving the award, Dr. Ashley was asked to make a presentation to the group that included some 500 guests.

Dr. Ashley emphasized the significance of the award and the "specialness" of it as an

inspiration to continue in his effort to impact positively and significantly upon young minds. Dr. Ashley very briefly presented his philosophy on education. He believes that "the educational process is a two-way street. That is, an instructor must expect great things from students and must demand that students achieve by teaching them to think, how to analyze, and how to be problem-solvers. On the other hand, students must be prepared to receive knowledge. The students must read assignments, be dedicated, and committed to the educational process to the point where nothing or nobody can stop them from learning." Essentially, Dr. Ashley believes that a student must have an "inner motivation" (a drive or hunger for knowledge).

Dr. Ashley received a standing ovation when he admonished students that "the opportunity is indeed yours. It is up to you. Despite the diminished concerns about minority students, cutbacks in affirmative action, reductions in financial aid programs, withdrawal of funds for tutors and counselors and the rest, I say to you students, you can make it. It takes determination, commitment, tenacity, and a made-up mind that with God's help, you are not going to let anybody turn you around!"

Dr. Clyde Ashley is an Assistant Professor at Prairie View A&M University in the College of Business. He serves as an Economic Professor in the Department of Economics and Finance. Dr. Ashley has been at Prairie View A&M University for three years. He has numerous accomplish-

## Dr. Fillyaw Heads Section at Western Reading Conference

H. Fillyaw, Ph.D. served as the chairperson for a presenter, Ms. Martha Efurud of Westark Community College at the Seventeenth Annual Conference of the Western College Reading and Learning Association (WCRLA), in San Jose, California on 5-8 April.

Her presentation was entitled "Using Learning Styles Inventories to Promote Academic Achievement." The presentation offered findings of a study on student learning styles conducted at Westark Community College in various classes over a period of three semesters.

Serving as a chairperson provides one with a rare and unique opportunity to interact immediately with other professionals in various academic areas.

## Cooperative Extension

## Auto Mechanics Workshop Helpful to Aides

By Gloria J. Boyd

"Oh, this is where the brake fluid goes!", and "I didn't know the air filter needed to be changed!" were some of the remarks made at the Cooperative extension's Family Resource Development Program's (FRDP) "Preventive Auto Mechanics for Women" workshop conducted for its paraprofessional staff (Program Aides) from Falls, Grimes and Washington Counties on May 3, 1984.

The workshop was conducted at Washington County fairgrounds in Brenham, Texas by Mr. Steve Cochran, Agricultural Engineer in the Department of Agricultural Engineering at Texas A&M University. Cochran gave hands-on training to approximately 15 program aides in things to check on periodically to keep their cars maintained and running efficiently.

Checking brake fluid levels, engine and transmission oil level, air filters, water levels in batteries, tire pressure, and keeping spare fan belts on hand were just a few of the things Cochran recommended for auto maintenance.

Several ladies had the opportunity to add brake fluid

ments under his belt since coming to Prairie View from Washington, D.C. as an Economist with the United States Department of Agriculture. Dr. Ashley is engaged in several research projects with a major focus on youth unemployment. He is actively engaged in the community, and is highly involved with the Prairie View Athletic Club.

Dr. Ashley is married to the lovely Mrs. Deborah Marie Ashley. The Ashley's have three beautiful children, Devonne, Valencia, and Raymond.

The President of Prairie View A&M University, Dr. Percy A. Pierre has extended his congratulations to Dr. Ashley for this very fine award and honor. He joins with other members of the faculty in recognizing Dr. Ashley for these great achievements.

## Museum April-May Update

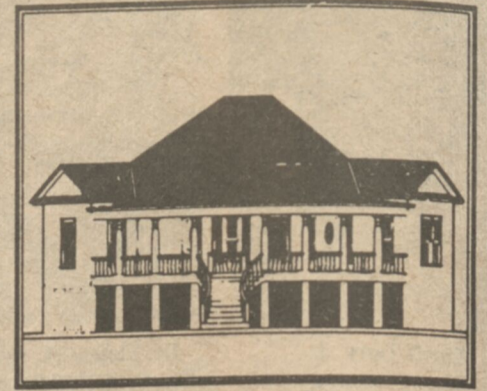
by Minnie S. Bains

The Waller County Historical Museum in downtown Brookshire has had some physical improvements during the months of April and May. Carpenters applied the finishing touches to the lower level of the building. Shelves were added in the closets, a built-in book case and artifacts were installed in the conference-library room. Baseboards, quarterrounds and new installations were painted. Doors received needed weather stripping. Plumbers installed a new sewer line and elevated the commode in the downstairs restroom.

Many volumes have been added to the Texana Collections of books, i.e., Frank J. Dobie's books, Indian histories and pictorial narratives of the Great Plains, to mention a few. Waller County citizens are urged to come to the museum and make use of these books for research, etc.

Community and county services have tripled this spring. Junior High School students, Daughters of the Confederacy, precinct election officials and Waller County Historical Commission members have made use of the facility.

May 18th was designated as Texas Museum



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to their cars, change their air filters and remove car tires to check the condition of the car's brake shoes.

Cochran explained that if women know what to look for in simple auto maintenance, then the less chance they'll have of being taking advantage of when their cars need repairing.

Everyone in attendance said

the workshop was of tremendous benefit to them, and expressed their appreciation to Mr. Cochran and also to the workshop coordinator, Mrs. Casandra Rouse, FRDP specialist who was assisted by Ms. Elaine Ward, FRDP specialist and Ms. Nancy Harris, program assistant.

The workshop participants were: program aides, Alberta

Minor, Zola Taylor, and Pearlie Love, Grimes County; Johnnie Roberson, Billie Blackshire, Dorothy Wilburn and Johnnie Williams, Washington County; Bernice Kirk and Catherine Ratliffe from Falls County, and county agents from Washington and Grimes Counties; Ruby Ragsdale, Linda Vogel and Lee Holt, respectively.



Cochran, standing on right, explains simple auto mechanic maintenance techniques to participants.



Program aide, Johnnie Roberson, kneeling on right, gets assistance from instructor Cochran in taking tire off her car.

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Senior citizens are shown doing the waltz in dance competition at Senior Olympics.



Members of the Waller County Senior Citizens Project pose for group photo at Senior Olympics.

## Waller County Senior Citizens Enjoy Olympics in Texas City

By Gloria J. Boyd

Horseshoe pitching, softball, disco dancing, dominoes and card playing were the order of the day for the Waller County senior citizens who attended the Senior Olympics in Texas City on Friday, May 4, 1984. Members of the Waller County Senior Citizens Project, which operates under the auspices of the Cooperative Extension Program at Prairie View A&M University,

participate annually in the Senior Olympics.

Free ice cream, soft drinks and donuts are available for the senior citizens at the Olympics, and many of them also brought their own sack lunches.

A highlight of the Olympics was the dance competition. Several couples, singles, and groups competed in various dance categories such as: the waltz, jitterbug, disco dance, country and western and the Charleston. Many persons other than senior citizens who attended the Olympics expressed amazement at the agility of the dance competitors who ranged in age from sixty to eighty.

Ms. Barbara Sefas, Project Director of the Waller County Senior Citizens Project, encourages all senior citizens in Waller County ages 60 and above, to participate in activities such as the Senior

Olympics. For further information about the Waller County Senior Citizens Project, contact Ms. Barbara Sefas at (409) 857-4999.

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approved credit, undergraduate students must be seniors within four months of graduation from a four-year college or university, and supply proof of current or future employment at a salary sufficient to cover ordinary living expenses and vehicle payments. Graduate students would qualify under similar circumstances.

In most states, the terms available from Ford Credit under the College Graduate Purchase Program include a delayed first payment with

ascending monthly payments, a delayed first payment with equal monthly payments, or standard equal monthly payments.

## Cooperative Extension Service

In Washington County

### Parent-Child Interaction Program

On Friday, May 4, 1984, the Cooperative Extension's Family Resource Development Program in Washington County saluted parents and their children for the completion of a nine week "parent child interaction series."

The program opened with a song, "America," followed with prayer by Reverend Johnny Williams, program aide in Washington County. The objectives of the "parent child interaction program" were discussed by Mrs. Dorothy Wilburn, FRDP aide.

Mrs. Wilburn stated that "the parent child interaction series shows how important parents are in their children's development and how what they do, affects them in their later learning."

One of the major highlights of the program was Mrs. Pearlina Collins and her son, Demetrius Collins of Washington County demonstrating "comparison blocks," which is a learning game that teaches children to describe signs, shapes, sizes and positions.

Twenty children graduated

from the course and graduation certificates were presented to them by Ms. Elaine Ward, FRDP specialist, with the Cooperative Extension Program at Prairie View A&M University.

There were twenty-eight parents in attendance; two supervising agents, Mrs. Ruby Ragsdale and Mrs. Linda Vogel; and program aides, Mrs. Billie Blackshire, Mrs. Johnnie Roberson, Mrs. Dorothy Wilburn, and Reverend Johnny Williams.

By Gail Long

### Complete Staff Participates

## Camp Clean-Up Successful

By Gloria J. Boyd

Sweeping, sawing, hammering nails, painting and carpentry work were just a few of the clean up activities that the Cooperative Extension staff participated in at the H.S. Estelle Youth Camp Huntsville, Texas on May 17th and 18th.

Extension headquarters and field staff from 13 Texas counties, several county Extension agents, District Extension Director, administrators and the chairman of the camp board of directors were available to lend a hand during the camp clean up.

The Cooperative Extension Program at Prairie View A&M University leases the H.S. Estelle Youth Camp to provide camping experiences to limited income youth during the summer months who would not normally have the opportunity to attend a camp. Although the camp has not been in operation since 1978 due to lack of necessary funds

for camp repairs and maintenance, it is anticipated that camp activities will be able to resume in the near future which is the reason why an overall cleaning of the camp was conducted.

The morning activities of camp clean up began with Mr. Hoover Carden, administrator of the Cooperative Extension Program, giving opening comments to the group, followed by Dr. Theodore Freeman, dean of the College of Agriculture, who greeted the audience. Dr. Daniel Galvan, District Extension Director also greeted the audience.

The program continued with Mr. R. A. Sanders, chairman of the U.S. Estelle Youth Camp board of directors, who gave the history of the camp which he said dated back to the 1940s when 50 acres of wooded land, six miles east of Huntsville were purchased by the State Agricultural Council and the Texas Home Demonstration Council for the primary purpose of building a camp for Negro 4-H club members. Mr. Sanders went on to say that since 1972 when the Cooperative Extension Program began leasing the H.S.

Estelle Youth Camp, over 10,000 limited income youth from all ethnic groups have had the opportunity to learn from and enjoy an organized camping experience, and pledged his full support towards restoring the camp for operation.

Cleaning tasks that were accomplished during the two day stay at camp were burning brush, sweeping and mopping the male and female dormitories, hosing down the bathrooms, sweeping the roofs, painting the dormitories, repairing the ceilings and screens, and clearing away heavy debris from the campgrounds.

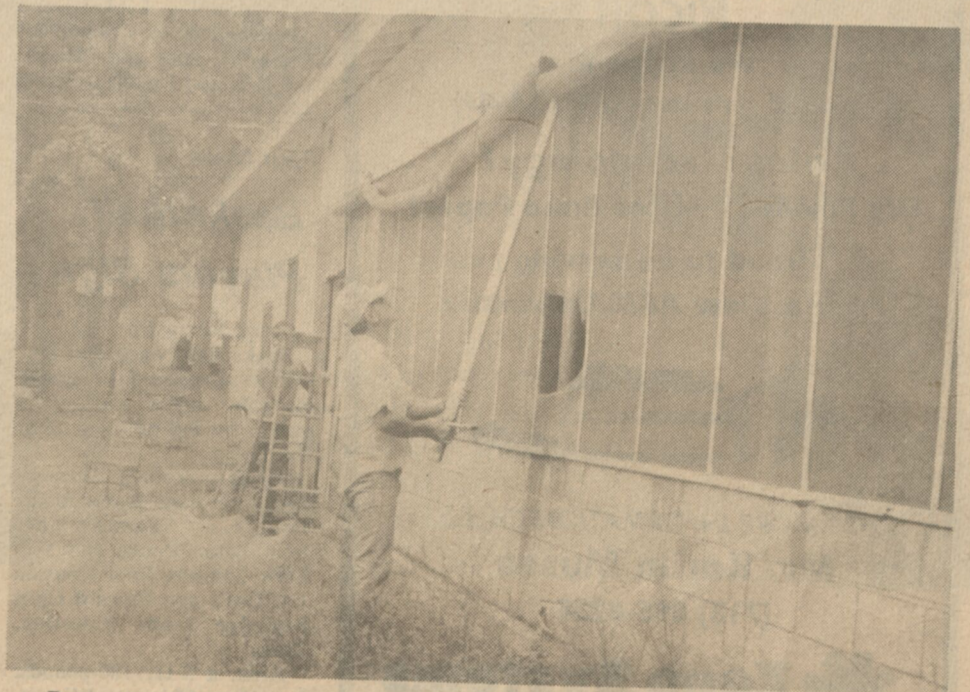
In addition to cleaning the camp, the paraprofessional staff (program aides) were given an opportunity to fill out a questionnaire explaining how their respective counties can best support the camp operations.

Administrator Carden closed the camp clean up activities saying to the participants, "we appreciate your continued support and hope the H.S. Estelle Youth Camp will give many more youth the opportunity to experience camp life."

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Washington County Program aide, Billie Blackshire tells audience how her county will assist in camp's restoration.



Program specialist, Dean McCraw, in foreground, measures screen in order to cut and install new window screen.



**ALL CONFERENCE (WEST DIVISION) BASEBALL TEAM**

FIRST TEAM		HT.	WT.	CLASS	HOMETOWN	AVG.
1b	Charles Wood, Southern	6-1	195	Jr.	Compton, Cal.	.416
2b	Robert Williams, Prairie View	6-0	190	Jr.	Waco, Tx.	.482
3b	Jerry Calloway, Prairie View	6-1	187	Sr.	Arcadia, La.	.309
ss	Orlando Watkins, Grambling	5-8	168	So.	LaPlace, La.	.382
of	Joe Vallery, Grambling	5-11	175	Jr.	Abbeville, La.	.360
of	Lonzell Banks, Prairie View	5-10	165	So.	Chicago, Ill.	.330
of	Gary Charlot, Texas Southern	6-1	200	Sr.	Houston, Tx.	.460
dh	Marvin Hodge, Prairie View	6-1	180	Sr.	Corpus Christi, Tx.	.347
c	Leonard Webster, Grambling	5-8	185	So.	Luther, La.	.361
p	Fred Brown, Prairie View	6-0	185	Sr.	Houston, Tx.	5-2
p	Chris Williams, Southern	6-2	180	Jr.	Hammond, La.	7-3
p	Martin Foley, Grambling	6-1	170	So.	New Orleans, La.	8-2
p	Gary Eaves, Grambling	6-3	185	So.	Bastrop, La.	8-3
SECOND TEAM		HT.	WT.	CLASS	HOMETOWN	AVG.
1b	Eric Taylor, Grambling	6-0	170	Jr.	Shreveport, La.	.413
2b	Kelvin Crandell, Grambling	5-5	145	So.	Omaha, Neb.	.225
3b	Juan McWilliams, Grambling	5-11	165	Jr.	New Orleans, La.	.300
ss	Booker Taylor, Southern	5-7	140	Jr.	Compton, Cal.	.255
of	Luther Keith, Southern	5-11	190	Jr.	Compton, Cal.	.413
of	Tommy Barlow, Texas Southern	6-1	175	Fr.	Gary, Ind.	.380
of	*Duray Carr, Southern	5-10	175	Jr.	Oakland, Cal.	.338
of	*Gerald Lewis, Texas Southern	6-0	175	Jr.	Los Angeles, Cal.	.414
dh	*Harvey Lee, Southern	6-2	190	Sr.	Pt. Pierce, Fla.	.325
dh	*Ira Tieucl, Grambling	6-0	160	Jr.	Shreveport, La.	.349
c	Trent Hubbard, Southern	5-9	180	So.	Chicago, Ill.	.303
p	Marty Gulley, Grambling	5-10	161	Sr.	East St. Louis, Mo.	3-4
p	Robert Williams, Grambling	6-3	225	So.	Jonesboro, La.	5-2
p	Glen Carter, Texas Southern	6-0	170	Jr.	Gary, Ind.	7-5
p	Lionel Morrison, Southern	5-11	170	Fr.	Chicago, Ill.	5-2

WEST DIVISION COACH OF THE YEAR -- Wilbert Ellis, Grambling  
 WEST DIVISION HITTER OF THE YEAR -- Marvin Hodge, Prairie View  
 WEST DIVISION PITCHER OF THE YEAR -- Martin Foley, Grambling  
 WEST DIVISION FRESHMAN OF THE YEAR -- Lionel Morrison, Southern

**PV's Williams On All Conference Baseball Team**

Junior second baseman Robert Williams, whose .482 batting average led the Southwestern Athletic Conference was the only Prairie View player to be named to the first team of the Southwestern Athletic Conference All Conference baseball selections as voted on by league coaches and sports information directors. Williams, from Waco, Texas, missed a bit of the season after injuring his knee in the Grambling series. He came on strong to wind up as the leading Panther in batting (.482), triples with eight and hits with 41.

Williams was honorable mention all conference a year ago as a left fielder.

Four other Prairie View baseball palyers who were named to the first team in the West Division selections were named honorable mention all conference. The Prairie View honorable mention players were third baseman Jerry Calloway from Arcadia, Louisiana, outfielder Lonzell Banks from Chicago, Illinois, designated hitter Marvin Hodge from Corpus Christi, Texas and pitcher Fred Brown from Houston, Texas.

**Hodge, Foley Lead All SWAC West Baseball Team**

Marvin Hodge, who set a school record for Prairie View with eleven home runs, and Martin Foley, who pitched Grambling to its second straight Southwestern Athletic Conference baseball championship earned top honors in balloting for the West Division All Conference team.

Hodge, a senior from Corpus Christi, Texas, was named hitter of the year and Foley, a sophomore from New Orleans, Louisiana, was named pitcher of the year.

Grambling coach Wilbert Ellis and Southern pitcher Lionel Morrison also landed individual honors in voting by the West Division coaches and sports information directors and selected media.

Ellis, in his seventh year as head baseball coach at Grambling, was named coach of the year and Morrison, a left-handed pitcher from Chicago, Illinois, was named freshman of the year.

In addition to the eleven home runs, Hodge also batted .347 and led the Panthers with 35 runs batted in.

Foley forged an 8-2 record and had 71 strikeouts in 74 innings pitched. He fanned 13 batters in the first game of the SWAC playoffs in a 6-1 victory over Jackson.

Morrison, a smooth throwing lefthander, finished the season with a 5-2 record. Ellis guided Grambling to a 29-15 record and its second straight conference crown.

and Loren Redmon lost to Paul Geiger and Abraham Phillips, 6-1 and 6-2.

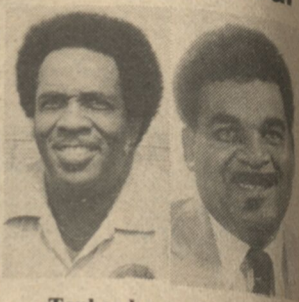
**Conference Meet**

**PV Staffers to Chair SWAC Committees for Second Year**

Baseball coach John Tankersley and Sports Information Director Henry Hawkins were re-elected to serve as chairman of their respective committees at the annual Southwestern Athletic Conference Spring Meeting held in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Tankersley has been baseball coach at Prairie View for 13 years and will serve as chairman of the SWAC Baseball coaches association for the second straight year.

Hawkins has been Sports Information Director at Prairie View for five years and was unanimously re-elected to serve as SWAC Sports



Information Directors Association.

Hawkins was selected as Sports Information Director of the Year in the league two years ago.

**Local Tennis Buff Continues Successful Effort**

Mrs. Cherie Higgs Singleton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George E. Higgs, Prairie View, Texas, coached her girls varsity tennis team to a second consecutive State Championship in the 1984 UIL State Tournament, 4-A Girls Tennis. Junior student, Shannon Cizek, who had received state honors as first runner-up in the 1983 State Tournament, bowing to her senior teammate in the Championship match played a superb game before a full house of Austin fans cheering on Shannon's opponent, an Austin Westlake school girl. The varsity boys team also qualified for the State Tournament in Austin.

Mrs. Singleton, Friendswood High School varsity tennis coach, played school girl tennis at Waller High School where she won the District 23 2-A Championship in her junior and senior year. She went on to North Texas State University where she received



an athletic scholarship in tennis and served as Captain of the Varsity Women's Tennis Team in her senior year. She was honored by the University in her senior year when they bestowed upon her the University's Most Outstanding Woman Athlete Award. She is still active in Houston area tournament play.

**Panther Tennis Team Finishes 5th in SWAC**

By Carol Alexander  
 Prairie View's tennis team tied for fifth place with Mississippi Valley, Jackson State, and Alcorn in the Southwestern Athletic Confer-

ence tennis tournament. There were no individual winners for the Panthers who lost to Grambling, 9-0.

Grambling won the conference championship with Southern placing second, Texas Southern third and Alabama State fourth.

Individually, Lester Pinkett lost to Grambling's Kenneth Myers 6-0, 6-0 and Harold Younger lost to Grambling's Dario Milton 6-0, 6-0 in singles action.

In doubles Pinkett and Younger lost to Grambling's Dave Williams and Milton, 6-1, 6-2, and Ronnie Johnson

**Four More**

**Basketball Players Sign**

By Henry Hawkins  
 Basketball coach Jim Duplantier announced the signing of four more basketball players for Prairie View A&M University.

Signed were guards Terrance Artis from Paris, Texas Junior College, 6-4 Tommy Gainer from Baton Rouge and 5-11 Kevin Johnson from Houston Jeff Davis and forward Chris Rutledge from Palestine, Texas.

Artis, a 5-11, 180-pounder from East Chicago, Illinois, averaged 16 points per game  
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# PV Wins Individual Honors at SWAC Championships

## Women's and Men's Teams Take Third and Fourth Places in Track and Field Competition

Keith King won his eighth Southwestern Athletic Conference individual crown, Prairie View's men placed fourth and the women third in the Southwestern Athletic Conference outdoor track and field championships in Baton Rouge.

Deirdre Jackson was among the conference record setters leaping 20-8 in the long jump breaking the old mark of 20 7/4 set by Texas Southern's Tracy Valentine in 1983.

Other individual winners for Prairie View were Bryan McKinley in the 400-meter hurdles and Keith Harvey in the hammer throw with a toss of 135 0.

The Panthers tallied 69

points to finished behind Texas Southern, which had 224. Jackson was second with 87 and Southern Third with 70.

Other finishers for the men

were Mel Trahan, second in the 800-meter run at 1:47.42, Edward Williams third in the high jump and fifth in the triple jump and Gregory Payne

third in the pole vault.

Prairie View was also second in the 1600 meter relay in 3:09.02.

Top finishers for the

Pantherettes were Cathy Taylor, third in the 800 meter run in 2:13.03; Kamala Grant fifth in the shot put in 40-4 1/4, Debra Hurd fifth in the discus

in 117-2, Lavonda Lockett third in the 400-meter hurdles.

Both the 400-meter and 1600-meter relay teams finished fourth.

### Williams Resigns As Basketball Coach for Women

By Carol Alexander

Johnnie Williams, women's basketball coach at Prairie View the past two seasons, has resigned that position to become the offensive coordinator at Alabama A&M University, effective June 1.

Williams had records of 2-24 in 1982-83 and 1-22 last year.

He originally came to Prairie View in 1980 as assistant football coach, serving first as offensive coordinator two years and then one year as secondary coach.

Williams also coached golf one year guiding the Panthers to a fifth place finish in the conference tournament. That came in 1982 and was the highest finish of a Panther golf team since Prairie View won the championship in 1979.

Prior to coming to Prairie View, Williams had spent five years at Howard Academy High School in Monticello, Florida and 14 years at Florida A&M High in Tallahassee, Florida. He had coached football, basketball and track.

During that tenure, Williams won six championships — three in basketball and was the first coach in Florida to win three consecutive state championships in football, leading his teams to state crowns in 1976, 1977 and 1978.

### Basketball —

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and six assists at Paris Junior College last season.

Gainer split time at guard and forward averaging 18 point and nine rebounds a game.

Johnson, who stand 5-11, was named to the All Greater Houston Team after averaging 21 points per game this past season. He had averaged around 20 points per game as a junior.

Rutledge, the younger brother of starting center Mark Rutledge, averaged 15 points and 11 rebounds per game while playing for Westwood High in Palestine. Chris is a 6-6, 195-pounder who can play both forward and center, Duplantier said.

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**Academic Calendar**

**1984 SUMMER SESSION**

*First Summer Term — 1984*

Registration . . . . . June 1, Friday, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.  
 June 2, Saturday, 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.  
 June 4, Monday  
 Instruction Begins . . . . . June 4, Monday 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.  
 Late Registration With Fee Begins . . . . . June 5, Tuesday, 4:00 p.m.  
 Late Registration, Adding and Withdrawal From Courses Ends . . . . . June 16, Saturday  
 Application for Summer Graduation Ends . . . . . July 4, Wednesday  
 Independence Day Recess . . . . . July 5, Thursday  
 Instruction Resumes . . . . . July 10, Tuesday  
 Final Examination Period . . . . . July 10, Tuesday  
 First Summer Term Ends . . . . .

*Second Summer Term — 1984*

Registration . . . . . July 13, Friday, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.  
 July 14, Saturday, 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.  
 July 16, Monday  
 Instruction Begins . . . . . July 16, Monday, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.  
 Late Registration With Fee Begins . . . . . July 17, Tuesday, 4:00 p.m.  
 Late Registration, Adding and Withdrawal From Courses Ends . . . . . August 13, Monday  
 Final Examination for Candidates for Summer Graduation . . . . . August 17-18, Friday-Saturday  
 Final Examination Period . . . . . August 18, Saturday  
 Second Summer Term Ends . . . . . August 19, Sunday  
 Commencement . . . . .

**COMMENCEMENT SCENE: Program Participants**



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