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## **SAC DISBANDS; FORUM IS FORMED**

The student government at UH/CLC is no more. In a surprise action at a recent meeting, the Student Advisory Council (SAC) voted by disband, effective at noon on April 20.

Citing internal problems and unequal representation of the student population as reasons for disbandment, the motion was put before SAC by Cliff McFarland, acting president.

A new organization, an Organizations Forum, has been proposed and approved by the administration. This reorganization calls for such a Forum, made up of one voting member from each academic and nonacademic organization on campus. Each member of the group would have a constituency in his/her organization, and have equal status with other members in the Forum.

The Forum, functioning under lenient guidelines and no in-depth constitution, will serve such purposes as allocation of organizational funds, discussion of student and organizational funds, and appointive responsibilities to university committees.

The role of the Student Activities staff would provide an improved service to the student body and all student groups and assume the functions of management of general program funds, recognition procedures for organizations, and determination of student travel to conferences other than those specific to a student organization.

The initial meeting of the Forum was held Thursday, April 28, with representatives from about one half of the campus organizations in attendance.

The proposal for the Forum was worked up by McFarland,

Carol Bardon and Wanda Mercer, Coordinator and Assistant Coordinator of Student Services, respectively.

In a letter to student organizations, Dr. C. Van Wyatt, Dean of Student Services, said, "I hope that you share with me the excitement and enthusiasm that this reorganization holds for each and every student organization at UH/CLC. In addition, I also hope that this en-

thusiasm will be transformed into an active participation in the Forum, not only in terms of the resources available, but in terms of the input that can be afforded from the Forum into the various issues that arise throughout our campus during a given year. I strongly believe that this reorganization holds much potential for student input into a variety of important issues each year."

### **Ceremony Set For May 15---**

## **HALL TO SPEAK AT GRADUATION**

Walter Hall, distinguished civic leader and businessman of the Bay Area, will be the speaker for the 1977 graduation ceremony of the University of Houston at Clear Lake City. The event will be at 3 p.m. Sunday, May 15, in Atrium II of the Bayou Building.

There are 147 candidates for bachelors degrees and 107 for masters degrees.

A native of the Bay Area, Hall was born in League City. He was graduated in 1928 from Rice University, then Rice Institute, with a BA degree. In 1931 he became cashier for the Citizens State Bank.

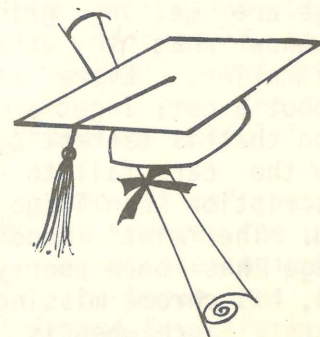
At present he is president of the Citizens State Bank of Dickinson, the League City and Alvin State Banks, and the Bay Area Bank and Trust, formerly Webster State Bank. Also, he is president of the Sentinel National Life Insurance Co. of Dallas and Hall's Insurance Agency.

A prominent Democrat, Hall terms himself a nonconformist. He has served as Precinct and County Chairman, as a member of

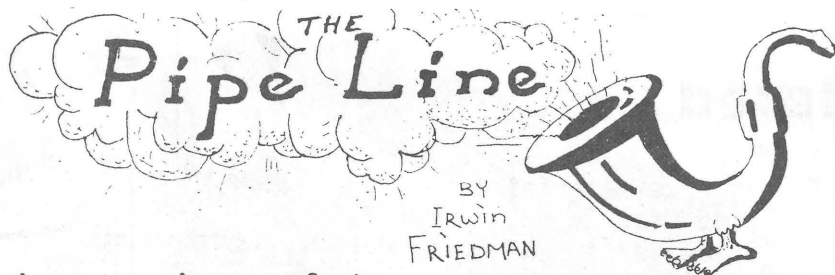
the State Democratic Executive Committee and as a delegate to both the State and National Democratic Conventions.

Hall was chairman of the Galveston Post-war Planning Committee which was responsible for the courthouse in Galveston, the seawall extension in Galveston and Texas City, the Mainland Hospital and road and drainage progress in Galveston County.

In 1956 he aided the drive to make organized gambling illegal in Galveston, and from 1942 to 1953 he served as president of the San Jacinto River Authority. Hall and his wife Helen have three sons, Walter, Samuel and Charles.







There is a conspiracy afoot, and I am the intended victim. This scheme I call the Cabal of Auto Resellers Preventing Legitimate Offers to Transpire or CAR-PLOT.

It has been six weeks since I first began to look for a new car in which to do battle on the Gulf Freeway in rush hour traffic. So far the search has been long, hard and fruitless. I can reach but one conclusion, "the" are out to get me.

I began by advertising my car in the newspaper. There were many callers, all of whom called when I was at work or school. One guy called and we agreed to meet on the night I didn't have class. The next night, I went to look at a car after class and he called wanting to buy my car. Naturally, he didn't call back.

Then my car died on the freeway, and AAA took three phone calls and three hours and 15 minutes to send a tow truck which cost \$1 per mile. "It pays to belong." Greta, my Volvo, took one last shot. After painstakingly rebuilding the fuel pump, she led me to believe all was well, until I went to look at another car. She was so jealous that she shorted out the voltage regulator and burned up half the engine and electrical system. So now I am without wheels of my own.

Once my car had done her nasties, all good cars for sale cheap disappeared from the market place. The only things to be had are big gas guzzlers that I can't feed on my meager salary.

I have searched high and low, from one end of Harris County to the other. There has been not one thing that I can afford. I have even ventured as far as Brenham but to no avail.

Things are getting grim. I don't know what to do about this situation. Every time I call about a car, I get a description that is fantastic, then somehow the cars fail to meet the description when I go look at them. The "mint" condition old Dodge has been poorly repainted, has chrome missing and bad dents. Since when is iron

oxide anything but rust? The immaculately restored Austin Healey won't run, and the "perfect" Opel was rear-ended and has a bent frame. The list goes on and on without a stop.

But wait...all is not lost just because of a few bad breaks. There it is in the newspaper want-ads, a beautiful 19??--no rust, not a dent or a scratch. It is owned by a little old lady who used it to keep her big car from getting lonesome in the garage. Only a few thousand miles are on it, and the engine, transmission and drive train are perfect. The brakes, electrical system, interior and steering gear are superb. She only wants \$150 for it, and she will even take a check so I don't have to go to the bank. FANTASTIC...Then the alarm goes off, and I get up to spend another day looking for a good used car. By the time I'm 80 one will surely come along.

In the meantime I will try to defeat CAR-PLOT as best I can. Surely someone out there has a good used car for sale--cheap.

## ACCOUNTING ASSOCIATION HAS SPRING BANQUET

The UH/CLC Accounting Association heard special guest speaker Robert C. Bennett Jr. at their recent Spring Banquet. Speaking on the topic of "White Collar Crime," Bennett has spent several years as a hard-hitting opponent of such crime.

Bennett has served more than 10 years as Assistant District Attorney and five of those years as Chief of the Special Crimes Bureau.

He obtained convictions in several killing-for-hire cases, including the murder of Dr. John Hill. He also directed several investigations which resulted in exposure of public corruption, including the recent indictment and conviction of Judge Garth Bates.

Mr. Bennett, a Texas native and graduate of Texas A&M and George Washington University, is at present an attorney with Briscoe, Shaffer & Powell.

## EVERY SPRING

BY AL RAGSDALE

I get this way every spring,  
This uneasy urge to wander away  
Through meadows that grow to  
the sunshine again,  
And lose the world somewhere  
behind me.

The new-found sun penetrates  
through me  
And I fill my chest with the  
infinite breeze,  
Knowing that I am a member of  
Nature,  
And life is blooming in me as  
well.

Spring is always another  
beginning  
Of life's eternal restless  
cycles  
That reach to the wildness I  
find deep inside me,  
Seeking to fulfill its  
primitive urges,  
Never contented with things  
as they are.

Wise voices whisper to me, from  
the treetops,  
"Be still and rest, there's  
always tomorrow."  
But time is moving too fast for  
me  
And my blood is not too cold  
to boil.

I try to conquer this animal  
yearning,  
But I get this way every  
Spring.

(Written several years ago on  
the present UH/CLC site)



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## New Degree Is Offered

The changing role of the woman in today's society is the subject of a new concentration of study at UH/CLC. On both the graduate and undergraduate level, it is now possible to take a degree with a concentration in Women's Studies within the programs of Behavioral Studies, Literature, Historical Studies, and Humanities.

UH/CLC is the only university in Houston, Harris County or Galveston County with this degree concentration. Dr. Nanette Bruckner is coordinator of courses.

Dr. Bruckner's own course is called Introduction to Women's Studies and within the class, offered in the fall of 1977, lectures will be given by UH/CLC professors Hilary Karp, psychology; Margaret Kasschau, biology; Deborah Lipton, art; Tom McFaul, institutional sexism; Gretchen Mieszkowski, literature; Walter Natemeyer, management; Bruce Palmer, American history; Jean Quataert, European history, and Craig Oettinger, area politics. Also, Dr. Nikki Van Hightower will speak on women and Houston.

Other courses in the Women's Studies area to be offered this fall include:

MGMT 4231 Women in Management, Wed 9:00-12:00, Dr. Natemeyer

PSYC 4931 Intro. to Women's Studies, Tue & Fri 10:30-12:00, Dr. Bruckner

PSYC 5533 Psychology of Women Tue 6:00-9:00, Dr. Bruckner

SOCI 4931 Political Sociology of Women (also cross listed as GOVT 3631, Feminist Politics) Mon 6:00-9:00, Dr. Oettinger

HIST 4833 Life Cycle, Tue & Fri 12:00-1:20, Dr. Quataert

In conjunction with the concentration of Women's Studies, a committee has headquarters in one of the faculty suites. An

abundance of resource material has been collected for study and research. Graduate student Sonia Kay Carmean is co-chairman with Dr. Bruckner of this group.

For additional information, and course descriptions, call the UH/CLC Women's Center at 488-9270, or call 488-9236.

### INSTRUMENT SOCIETY

#### FORMS AT UH/CLC

A chapter of the Instrument Society of America (ISA) has been formed at UH/CLC this spring. ISA is a scientific, technical and educational organization dedicated to advancing the theory, design, manufacture and use of instruments and controls in industry.

New officers elected by the UH/CLC chapter include Scott Harclerode, president; Skip Callahan, vice president; Jim Musick, secretary, and Tom Stabile, treasurer. Dr. Lawrence Hasdorff helps guide and coordinate ideas with officers and members.

On May 1, K. Avrid Johanson, district vice president of the ISA, presented the UH/CLC chapter petition for charter to the ISA Board of Directors. If approved, the UH/CLC chapter will be the first professional student section in District VII, which includes Texas and Louisiana.

The Houston section of the ISA, with its chemical and petroleum industry, is by far the largest in the U.S. and the world.

Recent speakers at the UH/CLC meetings were K. Avrid Johanson and Ken Bergen.

The ISA is open to any full-time student interested in the organization's goals. UH/CLC membership numbers 25.



# Now

### UH/CLC GETS ACCREDITATION

The University of Houston at Clear Lake City has been elected to full membership in the Association of Texas Colleges and Universities.

UH/CLC Chancellor Alfred R. Neumann said the action taken at the recent meeting of that organization on April 1 now gives UH/CLC full accreditation in both the regional accrediting agency (the Southern Association of Schools and Colleges) and in the state association.

Such accreditation sometimes requires five years for a new institution. UH/CLC was accredited by SACS in December two years after the university opened. Meantime, during its first years, while a candidate for accreditation, all credits from UH/CLC were fully transferable.

### STUDENTS DIRECT GROUP

A new music/movement/theatre group of junior high school students of the Webster Presbyterian Church has been formed under the direction of Bill Yonley and B.J. Pitts, UH/CLC students.

The young thespians presented a musical play, "Hope for Flowers," recently at UH/CLC as their first production. The play is adapted from a book of the same name by Traina Paula.

Guitar accompaniment was played by Bill Yonley, who also wrote the score. B.J. Pitts narrated.

### ASSOCIATION SPONSORS EVENTS

The UH/CLC Anthropology Association recently sponsored two events--a lecture by Dr. Lauriston Sharp and its first annual Spring Archeological Reconnaissance "Swamp Stomp."

Dr. Sharp, professor of Anthropology and Asian Studies and former chairman of Anthropology at Cornell University, spoke at UH/CLC on the topic, "Is Anthropology Useful?" recently.

The "Swamp Stomp" was held April 24 to survey the UH/CLC campus for archaeological remains. A barbecue was also held at Armand Bayou Park.



### CLASSIFIED ADS

RON'S FRIED CHICKEN--Needs full and part-time day help. Apply at 3942 Nasa Road 1, telephone 334-1013.



# Veterans Receive Aid From VA

A number of vets will be finding themselves in debt to the Federal Government due to the recent passage of PL94-502. The Veteran Administration (VA) is assigned the task of enforcing the law, which requires a veteran to pay back all money received for a course when the course is dropped (and no grade received) or for courses not used in computing graduation requirements.

Previously, a student withdrawing from a course would have received payments through the end of the month of the dropped class or classes. Under the new regulation, VA payments will be terminated retroactively to the beginning of the term, and students will have to pay the benefits back. The only exception are for "mitigating circumstances" or reasons definitely beyond the control of

## UH/CLC LIBRARY

### INSTALLS NEW

### SECURITY SYSTEM

The UH/CLC Library has installed a Knogo Book Detection System. The purpose of this system is to identify books, periodicals and other materials that are being removed from the library without proper authorization.

When a protected library item has not been properly charged out, it will trigger an alarm that locks the exit gate. The library patron is then asked to return to the circulation desk so that the library staff can determine what caused the alarm.

The system is very similar to those used in airports, and certain types of metal, such as spiral notebooks and some attache cases, can trigger the alarm. The library staff can usually desensitize the metal object so that it will not cause problems in the future.

There will be numerous false alarms until the system has been finely tuned to local conditions. The library staff urges patrons to please bear with them during this stage of installation, and should the alarm go off as one leaves the library, please cooperate with them in determining the cause of the alarm.

the student. Any person receiving VA benefits who must drop a course should submit a written statement to Veterans Counselor Jim Turner.

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Beginning June 1, veterans and other eligible persons will be getting their VA checks at the end of the month for that month of school. Benefits are now being paid at the first of the month for the coming month of school.

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The term for benefit checks is about up for persons receiving benefits at UH/CLC. All benefits will end May 14, unless a written request for them to continue has been filed. With the request form completed, VA benefits for the new year will begin May 15.

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Veterans who need financial help to continue full-time schooling (12 hours undergraduate, 9 hours graduate) under the G.I. Bill may be eligible for increased benefit payments under the Veterans Administration's "work-study" program. Eligible veterans may earn as much as \$625 per semester by working a maximum of 250 hours for the VA under this program. These jobs often relate to or complement the veteran's field of study. Interested veterans should contact the Veterans Counselor, James Turner, in the Admissions Office (488-9240), or call the VA Regional Office direct.

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Ted W. Myatt, Veterans Administration Regional Director, reminded veterans and servicemen enrolled in college under the G.I. Bill that if they need help, the VA stands ready to pay for it.

Uncle Sam didn't pay for tutorial assistance for World War II and Korean conflict veterans but under present law VA will pay as much as \$65 a month for tutoring up to a maximum of \$780. The tutorial help is not charged against the veteran's basic educational entitlement, Myatt pointed out.

In addition to veterans and active duty servicemen, tutorial benefits are available to widows, widowers, spouses and children studying under the VA's Dependents' Educational

Assistance Program.

Veterans and servicemen studying at the post-secondary level, on at least a half-time basis are eligible if they have a deficiency in a subject required in an approved program of education. Application should be made within a year of the tutoring. It should be submitted to the Veterans Counselor in the Admissions Office, James Turner (488-9240).

## COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA

### SLATES CONCERT

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Music of Handel, Mozart and Beethoven will make up the program for the second concert of the UH/CLC Community Orchestra at 8 p.m. Wednesday, May 4, in the Bayou Building auditorium.

Lee Schaenen, of the UH Central Campus music department, is conducting the group. The concert will feature soloists Beatrice Krauss, harp, Albert Hirsh, piano, and Patti Spain, soprano.

The orchestra has gained nine new members since its first concert in February and is looking forward to performing three concerts next season. Members are from all over the Bay Area, with many teaching privately and in area schools and colleges.

## ART WORK

### DISPLAYED BY

### UH/CLC STUDENT

Art work of Lorraine Killion will be displayed in UH/CLC Arts Program's first master's graduate art show through May 13 in Room 1-602 of the Bayou Building.

Lorraine, president of the UH/CLC Art Association, will display various forms of her work from stoneware to raku. Her thesis project was on raku glazes.

Having received an undergraduate degree from Stephen F. Austin State University, Lorraine is seeking a Humanities degree with concentration in the area of ceramics at UH/CLC. She has also done graduate work at University of Houston - Central Campus.