



The Pelican

A Newsletter for the F.I.T. Family

VOLUME II

JUNE, 1975

NUMBER 6

Record Number Graduate

478 RECEIVE DEGREES

Commencement exercises for 478 F.I.T. graduates were held on Thursday, June 12 at Jensen Beach campus and Friday, June 13 in Melbourne. The figure, largest in school history, includes 294 degree candidates at Melbourne. Of this group 63 received masters degrees and 231, undergraduate degrees.

The School of Marine and Environmental Technology exercises were held at the Jensen Beach Campus Chapel at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday with a total of 184 degrees conferred, 27 Bachelor of Technology and 157 Associate of Science.

Dr. Jerome P. Keuper, President of F.I.T., welcomed parents and friends of the graduates and conferred the degrees. There were two honorary degrees conferred at the 4:00 p.m. ceremony in Melbourne. Mr. John H. Evans, Jr., President of Evans Groves, Inc., and of John H. Evans, Inc., a pioneer in the citrus industry and the land and cattle business, was the recipient of the honorary degree of Dr. of Science. Mr. A. Chauncey Newlin, distinguished New York attorney and supporter of many charitable, cultural and educational endeavors, also received the honorary Dr. of Science degree.



Awaiting degrees.

Dr. Harry Weber, Dean of the Graduate School and Dean of the School of Sciences and Engineering, presided at the exercises. (Dr. John E. Miller, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Executive Vice President, was called to Pittsburgh, Pa. due to the serious illness of his father.)

S.O.M.E.T. COMMENCEMENT ON THURSDAY, JUNE 12

A total of 184 students graduated from the School of Marine and Environmental Technology on Thursday, June 12. The commencement exercises were held in the university chapel.

Dr. John Gross, Director of Academic Affairs, was the grand marshal, presiding over a dias that included Dr. Jerome P. Keuper, trustees Dr. Ralph Evinrude, Roland Merrell, and James Lyons, and Peter Navaretta, Director of Student Affairs.

Dean Ernest E. Tealey conducted the exercises and introduced Dr. Wendell Patton, President of High Point (N.C.) College, who gave the commencement address.

[Continued on Page 3.]



Dr. Patton addresses graduates.



Mrs. Joan LeMosy has compiled bibliographies for two graduate classes in science education to be taught during the summer term. These were compiled at the request of Dr. Joseph Keller who will be teaching the courses.

Ernest A. Zadig, Chairman of the Board of University Enterprises, Inc., has presented the Library with an autographed copy of his book, **The Complete Book of Boating**. Another book by Mr. Zadig, **The Boatman's Guide to Modern Marine Materials**, which was already in the Library, has also been autographed by the author.

Miss Virginia Simon, MRI librarian, was the lucky winner of Jane Wickerson's **Florida Cookbook**, which was offered in a drawing at the Florida Library Convention held at Orlando May 2. She was notified that she was the winner this week, and received the book.

FACT, the student biological sciences organization has purchased a photographic enlarger and an excellent Nikon camera for the department. The students raised money for these purchases, and presented them to the department as an indication of their desire to help the department develop.

F.I.T. COUNSELING CENTER

The F.I.T. Counseling Center will be open this summer from 8:15 a.m. - 12:00 Noon. The Center will be closed during the month of August. Regular hours will resume in the fall.



PERSONALITIES

By Paula



JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Birthday wishes to Mr. Carl Hoffman, Ms. Jacquelyn Krueger, Ms. Jan Leatherman, Ms. Patti Neblett, Mr. Norman St. George, Ms. Janet Stoddard, Ms. Essie Tolley, Ms. Susan Wells, Mr. Edward Folger, Dr. Catherine Ackerson, Mr. William Burns, Ms. Joyce Daggert, Mr. William Gehring, Mr. Robert Graunke, Dr. John Gross, Dr. Roman Johns, Mr. Paul Koontz, Dr. Charmerz Lenhart, Dr. Harry Weber and Mr. Paul Zimmerman.

GET WELL QUICK

Get well wishes to Penny Barber, who was in the hospital for surgery and is now recuperating at home. We all wish her a speedy recovery.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations and good luck to Carlos Barba who graduated from Graduate Law School at the University of Florida on June 14, 1975. A coffee was given in his honor in the President's Dining Room, Monday, June 16 by members of the Comptroller's Office, Financial Affairs Department and Personnel Department. The well-attended gathering of friends was very pleasant, and Carlos delivered a moving speech in which he expressed appreciation of his "F.I.T. family".

Our congratulations to Dagmar Bothwell (library) who became a United States citizen on April 25.

ROTC NEWS

Two of the officers in ROTC are heading toward retirement. They are Colonel George S. Jones, III, who will retire August 1, and Lieutenant Colonel Hubert G. Smith, who will leave F.I.T. July 21 to serve at PAFB and will retire November 1. Three other officers will transfer from F.I.T. to various places. SGM Coyus L. Carroll will leave F.I.T. the middle of July to go to Turkey; SFC Earl F. Kelley will leave August 15 to go to Fort Meade; SSG Henry G. Cline, Jr. will leave F.I.T. on September 5, take 45 days leave, and then go to Germany in October. Good luck to these gentlemen!

WEDDING WISHES

Best wishes to Michele Weber, Science Education, on her marriage to Matthew Stoudt on June 21, 1975. Mr. Stoudt was a student here at F.I.T. in Biological Sciences. He received his B.S. June 13, 1975. They plan a cruise to Nassau for their honeymoon.

NOTICE

Anyone having a fifth, tenth, or fifteenth year anniversary with F.I.T. should let me know so I can add this to our column. (Ext. 232 or 234)

NINE ROTC COMMISSIONS AWARDED

Nine Florida Institute of Technology students became officers prior to their graduation on June 13.

George W. Anderson, Jr., Theodore C. Dockstader, Robert A. Lawson, Charles S. Prosuch and Ronald G. Reppert were commissioned 2nd Lieutenants in the Regular Army.

Rocco A. Antonelli, Jr., James M. Betteker, John E. Hautzenroeder and Daryl Y. Litt were commissioned 2nd Lieutenants in the Army Reserve.

Presiding officer at the ROTC commissioning exercises was Colonel George S. Jones, III, Professor of Military Science and Head of the ROTC program at F.I.T.

Brigadier General George E. Turnmeyer addressed the new officers, their parents, wives, relatives and friends.

General Turnmeyer, Deputy Commander, U. S. Army Missile Command, Redstone Arsenal gave an inspirational address stressing the life of an Army officer as a career, and the two hundredth anniversary of the U. S. Army.

Dr. Jerome P. Keuper, President of F.I.T., made the closing remarks at the ceremony, outlining the values and benefits of the ROTC program.

FROM THE FLIGHT LINE

Mr. Alan J. Bakas, Head of the Avionics Department, The School of Aeronautics, is leaving after serving from September 1973 to the present. He will be missed (6'6") at F.I.T. His replacement has not been named. Mr. Bakas and family will enjoy an extended vacation in Pennsylvania and the midwest. We wish him every success.



Alan J. Bakas

F.I.T. Aviation continues its operations and will fly approximately 3,000 hours in training, charter, air taxi, and executive operations over the summer months. Professional flight instructors will be on hand to teach other educators, lawyers, doctors, etc., in Florida on vacation, all the pleasures of flight. Offered will be training for all certificates from Private through the Airline Transport Pilot. The famous Cherokee 140, Piper Arrow, Beech Super 18, and Apache, will be on line and active. High school students waiting to go to college in the fall will be joining us too. Modern facilities at the new Aviation Center, Melbourne Regional Airport, offer the latest aircraft and flight simulator equipment.

HONORED BY FLORIDA ENGINEERING SOCIETY

Dr. Joseph Weil, Special Assistant to the President at Florida Institute of Technology, was recently honored at the annual meeting of the Florida Engineering Society.



Dr. Joseph Weil

The banquet, which was held at San Marco, Florida, honored Dr. Weil for his active participation as a member for 50 years. He first joined the society in 1925 and became president of the organization 35 years ago (1940).

GROUP LEAVING FOR COLOMBIA

Approximately 60 local area members and friends of the Florida-Colombia Alliance will meet in Palmira, Colombia from Thursday, June 26 until Wednesday, July 2.

The tenth annual conference of the Florida-Colombia Alliance will be held in the city of Palmira, near Cali.

The group leaves Miami at 6:00 a.m. on Thursday by Aerocondor Airlines. They will stay at the brand new Hotel Intercontinental in Cali, one of the most modern hotels in the world. Transportation will be furnished daily to the conference site in nearby Palmira. On Sunday they leave Cali for Bogota where they will stay at the Hotel Bocata in the center of the city. The flight home will leave the Eldorado Airport in Bogota on Wednesday, July 2, for Miami.

REAL ESTATE COURSE OFFERED

Real Estate Course I: Introduction to Real Estate Principles and Practices began June 16 and will end on July 28. The class will meet twice a week on Monday and Thursday evenings from 7:00-9:40 p.m. in Room #521 of the Science Building. The course is a prerequisite for the Florida Real Estate Commission.

S.O.M.E.T. GRADUATES 182

[Continued from Page 1.]

It was announced that all associate degree graduates of marine science have been career placed in employment in industry through the efforts of Capt. Cecil B. Collins, department head of marine science.

A majority of the environmental technology graduates already have their associate degrees in oceanographic technology, and many will continue to work for their bachelor degrees.

VENEZUELAN WIVES ENROLL IN SUMMER PROGRAM

Five of the new students scheduled to enroll in summer classes at the Language Institute are wives of five members of the approximately 30 Venezuelan students currently enrolled in the Language Institute.

These students, members of a Venezuelan government-sponsored program, named Gran Maiscal de Ayacucho, are in the United States for at least five years. First they must learn English well enough to undertake academic programs successfully. When this study is completed, the Institute of International Education, their North American sponsors, will arrange academic placements for them in a variety of universities throughout the United States.

Most of these young men plan to major in petroleum engineering, gas engineering, electronics, marine engineering, and other fields related to the development and processing of petroleum.

Some of these students will be taking academic courses at F.I.T. along with their advanced work in the Language Institute, and some may be placed here by IIE for their academic programs.

ROTC NEWS

The majority of the Military Science Department cadre is spending the summer at Fort Bragg, North Carolina as members of the cadre for the ROTC Advanced Camp. Major Michael Chesney, Captain L. P. Habig, Sergeant First Class E. F. Kelley, Staff Sergeant H. G. Cline and Staff Sergeant D. McCoy have been at camp since 2 June 1975. Major C. B. Ankrom reports to Fort Bragg on 16 June 1975. Lieutenant Colonel Anderson will visit camp toward the end of June to see how the 12 F.I.T. cadets are performing there.

Colonel G. S. Jones III will retire after 30 years active service on 1 August. Lieutenant Colonel H. G. Smith will report to Patrick Air Force Base for special duty on 1 August. Lieutenant Colonel J. L. Anderson will replace Colonel Jones as the Professor of Military Science on 1 August.

Dr. Samuel Rankin of the Mathematical Sciences Department received notice of acceptance of his paper "A Comparison Theorem for Nonhomogeneous Second Order Linear Differential Equations" for publication in the journal *Mathematica Japonicae*.

Dr. Rankin also presented "Oscillation of a forced second order non-linear differential equation" on April 25, 1975 at the University of Tennessee during the John Barrett Lecture Series.



Faculty/Staff Picnic Rodes Park May 31, 1975

