

Biological Exhibit To Be Shown Here

An exhibition currently on view at Mercer University from Feb. 5 to Feb. 28 present a unique opportunity to study the variations with a single related family of plants. **THE STONECROP FAMILY: VARIATIONS ON A PATTERN** was organized by Dr. Reid Moran, Curator of Botany at the San Diego Museum of Natural History, and is currently touring the United States under the auspices of the Smithsonian Institution.

The exhibition is the by-product of a longtime botanical study by Dr. Moran, who has collected and analyzed the plants in California, Mexico, the Mediterranean region, and eastern Asia. Such succulent plants make sorry pressed specimens, losing their personality much more than ordinary plants do: for a permanent record photography has proven to be a necessity.

The 58 photographs and one diagram are mounted on 10 panels, each containing a detailed explanatory text by Dr. Moran. The basic structure of the stonecrops is outlined first, and the succeeding panels then present closer studies of various subdivisions within the family.



1st row, L-R, Jean Harrison, Susan Strange, Mary Teel; 2nd row, L-R, Cindy Clayton, Janet Crichfield; 3rd row, L-R, Judy Force, Fran Hart, Bev Sonen, Sandra Rich.

MERCER RECEIVES SHELL GRANTS

Mercer University for the sixth consecutive year has received grants totaling \$1,500 from Shell Companies Foundation, Inc.

Dr. Rufus Carrollton Harris, president of Mercer, announced the grants under the Shell Assists program, and said "such grants play an important role in Mercer's endeavor to provide quality Christian education for today's young people."

The three grants are for \$500 used for an undersigned fund each, the first of which is to be which President Harris designates. This grant recognizes the national challenge to individuals and their corporate partners in citizenship to increase the general support of higher education.

The second grant of \$500 is for general faculty development, intended for discretionary use in encouraging additional professional development of the individual members of any of the school's facilities.

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W. M. Upchurch, Jr., senior vice president and secretary of Shell

Companies Foundation, Inc., said Shell Assists grants for faculty development are intended to encourage increased faculty participation in scholarly professional activities.

"These grants can assist teachers in enjoying and benefiting from more of the 'fringe benefits' usually available to their professional colleagues in other areas of endeavor," he added.

IT'S NOW LT. COL. LENEKER

Lt. Col. Herbert W. Leneker, assistant professor of military science at Mercer University, was promoted from the rank of major to lieutenant colonel. The informal ceremony took place at the January meeting of the faculty of the College of Liberal Arts. The promotion was announced by Col. E. W. Schroeder, professor of military science at Mercer University.



Student Opinion On The "Cluster"

In order to better serve the student community of Mercer and to determine future guidelines as to news coverage, the "Cluster" asks the following questions:

1. Do you think that the "Cluster" is giving adequate coverage on the news of this campus? If not, please state specifically what you think is lacking.
2. Do you approve of the "Cluster's" policy of including as main articles news not directly concerned with the Mercer campus, but of interest otherwise to the general student body, such as articles on the draft, or Affirmation: Vietnam?
3. Do you feel that social news is being adequately covered? If not, what more should be covered?
4. Is there anything you feel the "Cluster" is not covering or that the "Cluster" is covering and you don't feel it should? Further comments are solicited.

HONOR COMPANY OF WEEK

Company A, commanded by Cadet First Lieutenant Woodrow Fincher, has been designated as Honor Company for the week of January 24. This award is given to the cadet company displaying the best marching ability during the Monday drill review. The members will escort the Color Guard onto the field each week.

MILITARY BALL TO BE HELD

Tomorrow evening the annual Military Ball will be held at the Warner Robins Officer's Club. The Hines Causey Orchestra will provide music from eight until midnight. The battalion sponsor nominees will be presented at the ball. They are: Debbie Dicks, Jean Harrison, LaRose Powell, Suzy Sumner, and Sandra Underwood.



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Debaters Capture Second Place

MERCER Debaters Emily Wortman and John Winkle were named second place affirmative team at the Southern Intercollegiate Debate Tournament held at Agnes Scott College. Both debaters have been working with Dr. Helen Thornton, the A team coach, since Fall quarter on the topic, Resolved: that law enforcement agencies in the United States should be given greater freedom in the investigation and prosecution of crime.

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