Tau Beta Pi Company Award to Phillips



A welcome banner inside the entrance of Seaton Hall was examined (left to right) by Dean Rathbone, Tau Beta Pi President Gary McNaughton, Gene Bonnell and Mr. Martin of Phillips Petroleum.



Each member of the visiting executive team received a certificate from Tau Beta Pi at a banquet where the "Company of the Year Award" was presented. Dodi Demuth presented a framed certificate to W. LeRoy Culbertson, a 1939 honors graduate in mechanical engineering at KSU, at the banquet. Each executive received an attractive wall plaque.



Mr. Martin shown lecturing to a business class in Denison Hall the morning of the visits by the Phillips executive team. Martin enjoyed being a professor for a day during his visit to K-State.



A large group of College of Engineering students and faculty members attended the banquet where Bill Martin, chairman of the Board, spoke.

Six top officers of the Phillips Petroleum Company, Bartlesville, Oklahoma, received the "Company of the Year" award February 28 from the Tau Beta Pi student engineering honorary at K-State.

W.F. (Bill) Martin, chairman and chief executive officer of the company, received the award on behalf of the company at a Friday evening banquet. An outstanding senior in mechancial engineering, **Luci Ronning,** vice president of the KSU honorary, made the presentation.

Tau Beta Pi, the Phi Beta Kappa of engineering honor societies, recognizes outstanding scholarship and service in juniors and seniors in accredited engineering colleges. To qualify for membership, juniors must be in the upper eighth of their class; seniors in the top fifth.

According to **Gary McNaughton,** president of the honorary, Phillips was honored for its interest in education in general and in the K-State engineering program in particular. "The purpose of the visitation and the award is to establish a better relationship between the University and industry, and to give the students an insight into business and industry," he said.

Five other Phillips officers joined Martin at the evening banquet and visiting with and lecturing to 12 K-State business, engineering and science classes during the day: **R.E. (Gene) Bonnell,** 1956 K-State business graduate, assistant treasurer of the company; **S.K. (Sloan) Childers,** vice president, public affairs; **W. LeRoy Culbertson,** 1939 K-State mechanical engineering honors graduate, vice president, group planning and budgeting; **J.W. Davison,** chairman, operating committee; and **J.P. (Jim) Jones,** manager of recruitment and management development.

Culbertson, recipient of the K-State Distinguished Service Award in Engineering, is the immediate past chairman of the University's College of Engineering Advisory Council.



Bill Martin, chairman of the board of Phillips Petroleum Company, Bartlesville, Okla., poses with Luci Ronning—showing off the "Company of the Year Award" given for the first time by Tau Beta Pi engineering honorary at K-State.



Participating in the Phillips Day were (front row, left to right): Tau Beta Pi escorts Sid Hoobler, Luci Ronning, Rick Kelsey, Dodi Demuth, President Gary McNaughton, Rick Biery and Alan Sylvester. Standing: Jim Lloyd, Business Dean Robert Lynn, Engineering Dean Donald Rathbone, Bill Martin, KSU President Emeritus James McCain, and five Phillips executives—Gene Bonnell, Ken Childers, LeRoy Culbertson, Joe Davison and Jim Jones.

51st Open House Photo Report

Last spring's 51st annual Engineering Open House held April 11-12 at K-State was one of the most successful ever in the minds of students, faculty, alumni, parents and friends of the College of Engineering.

K-State's dean of engineering, Dr. Donald E. Rathbone, was encouraged by the enthusiasm shown by the students in designing, developing and constructing their displays for the competition. A curb-climbing wheelchair by Dennis Mattison, freshman in mechanical engineering, had the outstanding individual display. The mechanical engineers won the Steel Ring Trophy as the winner of the overall departmental display competition.

Charles T. Carter, ME '38 from Independence, Kan., where he is president of ARCO Pipe Line Co., was the recipient of the 1975 KSU Distinguished Service Award in Engineering. It was presented by Dr. James A. McCain, who retired June 30 as president of the University. President McCain was honored too—he was named the first honorary member of the Knights of St. Patrick.

John Mein, EE senior from Walnut, and Luci Ronning, ME junior from Overland Park, reigned over the open house as St. Patrick, the engineers' patron saint, and St. Patricia, his lady.

A high school senior from Valley Falls, Rick Cobb, won his second straight "Great Mad Race" which is for small mousetrap-powered vehicles constructed of masonite, wire, string, epoxy glue, nylon cord, and a mousetrap. His new record, 3.162 seconds down a 30-foot concrete course, was timed with a laser counter.

The 1976 open house is set for Friday and Saturday, April 2-3. Mark these dates on your calendar.



Dennis Mattison (left) and Jim Hengelfelt, students in mechanical engineering, built a curb-climbing wheelchair. Mattison designed the wheelchair, judged the outstanding individual student display at the 1975 Engineering Open House.



KSU President Emeritus James A. McCain was made the "first" honorary Knight of St. Patrick at the Open House banquet. Dean Donald Rathbone presented Dr. McCain his shield.



KSU President Emeritus James A. McCain presented the Distinguished Service Award to Charles T. Carter, ME '38, president of ARCO Pipe Line Co., Independence, Kan. Mrs. Carter is at the right.



John Mein, last year's Engineering Council president from Walnut, Kan., and Luci Ronning, junior in mechanical engineering from Overland Park, Kan., reigned over the 51st annual Engineering Open House April 11-12. Mein was St. Patrick, the engineers' patron saint. Miss Ronning was St. Patricia, St. Pat's lady.



TEN OUTSTANDING SENIORS AT K-STATE were inducted into the Knights of St. Patrick for outstanding service to the College combined with good academic performance. Dean Donald E. Rathbone (seated second from left) welcomed each of the group. Seated (from left): Jim Lloyd, Donna Reed and Roger Farrell. Standing: Will Cook, Rick Biery, Tom Bailey, Richard Payne, Earl Glynn, Gary Schneck and John Mein.



Students in mechanical engineering at K-State won the STEEL RING trophy at the 1975 open house for having the best overall departmental display as determined by a panel of guest judges. Tom Bailey, now a graduate student in ME, accepted the award at the open house banquet on behalf of the students.



KSU Engineering Student Council President John Mein presented a planter to President and and Mrs. James McCain for their 25 years of outstanding service to their University on behalf of the engineering students of K-State.