President and University are honored

President Keuper, along with F.I.T., has been named recipient of the Frank G. Brewer Trophy, the nation's highest award for aviation and space education. The announcement came from Gen. Clifton F. von Kann, president of the National Aeronautic Association (NAA), which administers the award.

Dr. Keuper is to accept the award on July 17 at Seattle, where the National Aviation-Space Education Convention will be underway. The annual convention, sponsored by the American Society for Aerospace Education (an NAA division), was last summer held on the F.I.T. campus.

Dr. Keuper will actually accept a replica of the original Brewer Trophy. The original is on permanent display in the National Air and Space Museum. Dr. Keuper's name, and that of the university, will be permanently added to the trophy.

The trophy is awarded annually for "outstanding contributions of enduring value to aerospace education in the United States."

A committee which selected F.I.T. and its founder for the honor included representatives of 20 major aerospace and aviation groups. They included the General Aviation Manufacturers Association, the Air Transport Association, Aerospace Industries Association, Air Force Association, NASA, Federal Aviation Administration, and the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association.

"F.I.T. is the first educational institution in the United States to ever receive the award," explained Dr. Wayne Matson, executive director of the aerospace education society. The committee making the 38th award of the trophy viewed the fact that F.I.T. offers both aviation and space sciences programs as "truly unique" in the country, Matson said.

Dr. Keuper's founding of the university and his guidance of its growth since 1958 evidenced a "commitment to youth, and to aviation and space education," Matson said of the award committee's feelings.

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Colombia tour is planned

Dr. Arthur A. Kimball, alumni director and executive director of Florida-Colombia Partners, visited Colombia in early March to finalize plans for the Partners biennial visit to Colombia June 14-20.

The group will visit Bogota and Melgar, where the XVI Annual Partnership Conference will be held in the beautiful new CAFAM Hotel and Recreation Center. There will be side trips available to Ibague, Girardot and the magnificent Salt Cathedral at Zipaquirá.

Any member of the F.I.T. Family who would like a copy of the brochure describing the low-price tour should call Carmen, on extension 261, before May 1.

As in 1977 and 1979, President Keuper has authorized a nocharge-against-leave policy for F.I.T. staff and faculty members who can be spared and wish to participate in this goodwill journey.

By Pam Smith

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Dr. Elizabeth B. Wolf and Dr. Charles D. Corman, dean of the School of Professional Psychology, recently attended the annual meeting of the Council of Graduate Departments of Psychology held in San Antonio.

The meeting brings together representatives of all graduate training programs in psychology. Topics discussed range from funding of training and research to recruitment of minority students and faculty and accreditation procedures. The National Science Foundation, National Institute of Mental Health, American Psychological Association (APA) and Veterans Administration sent representatives to the session.

Dr. Wolf and Dr. Corman also attended a National Council of Schools of Professional Psychology conference. The San Diego meeting was keyed on "Standards for the Assessment of Quality in the Training of Professional Psychologists."

Attending were representatives of the APA, American Association of State Boards of Psychology, and of various schools of professional psychology.

Dr. Suzanne B. Sobel of Psychology attended the mid-winter meeting of the Division of Psychotherapy of the APA in San Antonio. Dr. Sobel also attended executive committee meetings, as an elected member, of APA divisions in clinical psychology and psychologists in public service.

Dr. Sobel also recently served as a site visitor for the North Central Association of Schools, a regional accrediting body. And she served as guest editor, along with Nancy Russo, for a special issue of the APA's "Professional Psychology" journal on the topic of "Sex Roles, Equality and Mental Health." The project developed out of the subpanel on mental health of women that was created by President Carter's Commission on Mental Health.

Dr. John B. Gayle's article, "A Modeling Approach to Engineering Productivity," has been accepted by "Manage," the official publication of the National Management Association. Dr. Gayle is a Management Science faculty member.

Dr. Roger Manley, head of Management Science, has had a case study on "Project OCALA" published in Dittrich and Zawacki's "People and Organizations" (Business Publications, Inc., 1981).

Dr. Laszlo Kato, director of research at the Catherine Booth Hospital Centre, Montreal, recently visited the Medical Research Institute. He is a world renowned leprologist with a special interest in vitro growth of 'M. leprae'.

As a visiting scientist at MRI for a month, he worked with Dr. Arvind Dhople in setting up a number of experiments in vitro cultivation of leprosy bacilli. Last July, Dr. Dhople visited Dr. Kato in Montreal to discuss the collaborative studies. That resulted in the joint experiments at MRI.

During his visit, Dr. Kato and MRI director Dr. Ronald Jones agreed to continue the studies over a period of time. Dr. Kato also held discussions with Dr. Eleanor Storr's and Dr. John Ziegler.

Dr. Dhople, research associate professor and head of the Infectious Diseases Division of MRI, attended the 81st Annual Meeting of the American Society of Microbiology held in Dallas in early March. He presented a paper entitled, "ATP Content and Other Characteristics of M. leprae."

Dr. Robert Fronk, head of Science Education, and doctoral candidate Ed Donovan recently attended a joint National Science Foundation project directors' meeting in Phoenix. The conference centered on cooperative relationships between university scientists and pre-college educators.

Dr. Fronk served as chairman of four small group sessions. Funding for the conference was part of the NSF grant recently received by F.I.T. Results of the conference are to be summarized in the form of resolutions to be sent to the White House this spring.

Robert Duncan, a member of F.I.T.'s roster of part-time security officers, has been named Police Officer of the Year in the Melbourne Police Department.

Lakes are topic

"Eutrophication in Florida Lakes: Development of Nutrient Loading Criteria." is the title of a presentation scheduled at F.I.T. on Thursday, April 8th by an international authority in the field.

The speaker for the 8 p.m. public meeting is Room S112 of Crawford Science Building will be Dr. Patrick L. Brezonik. He earned masters and doctoral degrees at the University of Wisconsin at Madison and is currently a professor in the Department of Environmental Engineering at the University of Florida.
The young look

The rowing was energetic as the 1981 version of alumni crew races were staged on the Indian River recently, and even the small folks found it an interesting spectacle.

Above, Kim Doan (wife of 1976 graduate Andy Doan), joins daughter Melissa and niece Kelte Becerra in postures of expectation common among the spectators.

To the left, prospective rower Jiva Betts clings to companion Ted Benu and her mother, Cia, as former Engineers return to the shells of their university days.

Winning ways for spring sports

While the F.I.T. baseball team continued to bat and pitch its opponents into submission, the crew team started its season with a strong showing against Yale University.

The Ivy League giant of rowing managed to win the President's Cup Regatta at Tampa, F.I.T.'s first outing for the season. But the Engineers were close behind.

F.I.T. completed the varsity men's eight in a rare dead heat with Yale. The F.I.T. team registered firsts in the men's lightweight varsity eight, varsity men's four with coxswain, and men's junior varsity. The women's varsity eight rowed to a third behind Yale and Syracuse.

The crew team makes its at-home debut in the Jerome P. Keuper Cup Regatta on April 4, and stays in town for the April 11 Governor's Cup. Championship matches are scheduled in April and May.

The baseball team, guided by Coach Les Hall, headed toward the mid-season mark with a record of 12 triumphs in 15 outings.

Hall's squad last year managed 28 wins and 14 losses in a record-setting initial season as an NCAA Division II team.

The Engineers have 10 games scheduled on the home diamond in April before wrapping-up the season in May. The final game is at home on May 6, against the University of Central Florida.

Computers subject

A computer technology program has been initiated at the School of Applied Technology on the Jensen Beach Campus. It has been announced.

A response to a community need, the program will help answer demand for computer personnel that has grown more quickly than the pool of qualified technicians.

The new program will offer a strong foundation in business, science and mathematics. Students will be trained in appropriate computer languages and be given extensive opportunities to apply their skills.

Alumni return to busy campus

By Dr. Arthur Kimball
Director of Alumni Relations

February 21 provided beautiful weather to enhance the annual reunion of our alumni and faculty. The day-long program, starting with alumni crew races in the morning and concluding with F.I.T.'s basketball game with Rollins that evening, was well-attended.

We cannot provide an accurate count of daytime attendance, as civic organizations and the general public were invited to participate in an open house at F.I.T. that afternoon.

A total of 361 guests attended the Annual Banquet at which the following attendees received awards:

Earliest graduate with M.S. or Ph.D. degree - a tie between Murray King and Frank Leslie, both M.S. 1968.

Earliest graduate with B.S. degree - Fred Le Mosey 1966.

The alumni traveling farthest distance to attend - Dallas Bienhoff of Reseda, Calif.

The alumnus attending the most homecomings - a tie, five each - Wallace Boggs, Joe Eckelman, Jim Irvin, Paul Joas and Doug Linden.

Adjunct Faculty - Continuous Service - Jack Geanaras of Management Science.

Many people from F.I.T. faculty, administration and the student body contributed to the planning and smooth conduct of the day's events.

Special recognition of the contribution of the following students is in order - Bruce Shea, Brett Carter, Monica Rudzik and Rene Einhouse of the planning committee, who were assisted on February 21 by Mandy Gold, Kirsten Breiter, Rene Easton, Ronni Tatz, Gary Senn and Kathleen Dufek and others.
The 1981 version of Science and Engineering Week was a resounding success, bringing to the campus both an impressive list of guest speakers and visitors from area schools and the community.

The student-guided events, which took place as Homecoming Week culminated and alumni returned for an annual visit, included two days of open-house tours and displays.

A technical symposium featured Dr. Joseph Rowe, Vice President for Technology at Harris Corporation, as keynote speaker. (He is pictured above at center.) Dr. Rowe outlined an impending explosion of information systems in his talk on "Energy, Communications and the Coming Revolution."

Other symposium topics ranged from the Space Shuttle to aquaculture, engineering in the phosphate industry and computer languages.