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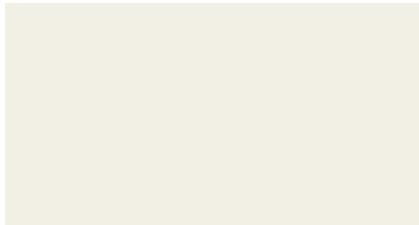
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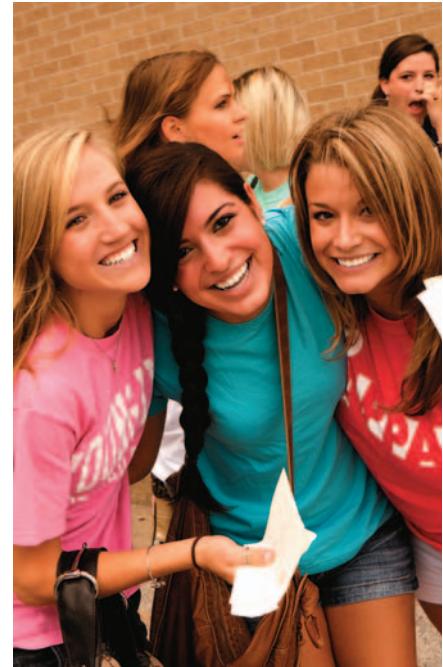
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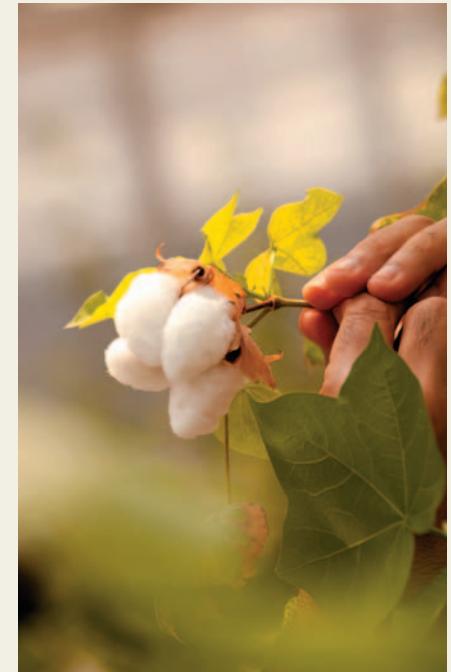
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Dr. Yuefeng Sun and his geosciences students explore innovations that will increase the world's energy supply.

Greenwoods' Scholarships Aid Cadets

Two Corps of Cadets members already benefit from endowed scholarships recently established by Beverly and Kyle Greenwood. David Keim '11, a future Marine, received the two-year Kyle '92 and Beverly Greenwood '98 Corps Scholarship giving preference to contract junior cadets planning a Navy or Marine Corps career. Geoffrey Stevenson '11, who has an Air Force contract, received the couple's BMI Defense Systems Corps Scholarship in Memory of Pat D. Cooper '64; the scholarship gives preference to contract junior cadets seeking a career in the Navy, Marines or Air Force.

Beverly Greenwood is president and CEO of BMI Defense Systems, and Kyle is the College Station company's chief operating officer. "As the owners of BMI Defense Systems, it is important to us to not only keep soldiers safe by designing and manufacturing protection equipment, but to help them acquire an education and leadership training that comes from being a member of the Corps of Cadets," said Beverly Greenwood, who received Aggie scholarships. "Our

hope is that each scholarship will assist someone who has the skills to be a great soldier but not the finances to do so." Her dad, Pat D. Cooper, as well has her grandfather and brother, were in the Corps. Kyle Greenwood, a former member of the S-2 Marauders, attributes his success in college and his leadership skills to the Corps and having had a grandfather, father and brother in the Corps.

Gift Annuities to Help Vet Students

Elaine and Joe Coulter '50

Using three charitable gift annuities funded in October, Dr. Joe Coulter '50 will establish a graduate student endowment at the College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences. Coulter and his children receive payments for their lifetimes, and the balances of the gift annuities will fund graduate fellowships, giving preference to students in the cardiovascular field. Coulter and his wife, Elaine, previously established another gift annuity and a charitable remainder unitrust that will benefit veterinary medicine students.

Kyle '92 and Beverly Greenwood '98 funded two scholarships for junior cadets.



Bradley L. Worsham '88 traveled from Virginia with his daughter Alyssa to see the Aggies' Sept. 5 football victory over the New Mexico Lobos. She hopes to attend Texas A&M.

'88 Graduate Gives Back in Kind

Bradley L. Worsham '88, who received a President's Endowed Scholarship (PES), established a PES of his own in August. "I felt privileged to receive my President's Endowed Scholarship," said Worsham, who holds a bachelor's degree in aerospace engineering. "My scholarship inspired me to do my best. I had to prove I was worthy of it." He hopes his new PES "will bring high-caliber students to A&M."

Worsham co-founded BIT Systems, a high-tech research and development company based in Virginia. He grew up in Port Neches.