

STATE AND LOCAL

Construction exhibit to be held Tuesday

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The Texas A&M student chapter of the Associated General Contractors will sponsor an exhibit Tuesday featuring displays by 13 construction-related companies.

The exhibit will be from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the second floor of the Langford Architecture Center.

Jeff Hunt, public relations officer for the chapter, said this year the chapter wanted to deviate from the regular format of speakers. The idea to have an exhibit was inspired by the exhibit shown at the national convention in San Francisco, he said.

"This is our first year to sponsor an exhibit," Hunt said. "Since not all of our 250 members could go to the convention in San Francisco, we decided to show the students what they missed."

The chapter has been preparing for the event since the beginning of this semester.

"It's been over a month of hard work," Hunt said. "Because most of the members have personal contacts in major construction companies, preparation for the event became a group effort."

The exhibit isn't for construction science majors only.

"We hope to attract civil engineering students in addition to construction students," Hunt said. "Students from the business college with a background in construction would be interested in the exhibit even though they aren't majoring in construction science."

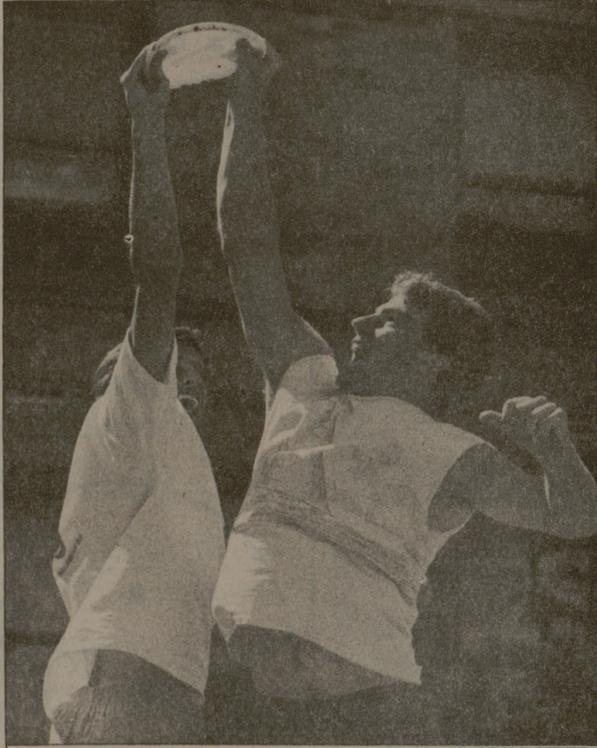


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Battle for the Disc

A spring day brings out the feisty spirit in everyone, especially these frolicking disc throwers. Will Parks, right, and Ric Pena struggle for possession of the flying disc as they play on the grassy knoll between Aston and Spence Halls.

Journalism congress

The Battalion gets 14 awards

By TRENT LEOPOLD
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The Battalion won 14 awards this past weekend at the Southwest Journalism Congress conference in Waco.

Don Johnson, coordinator for Texas A&M's student publications, said Sunday these were the most awards A&M has ever taken at the conference.

The two first place awards are:

- Peter Rocha — Best Sports Column
- John Makely — Best Photo Series

The seven second place awards are:

- Rebecca Zimmerman — Best Photo Series
- Rebecca Zimmerman — Best Investigative or Interpretive Story
- Ed Cassavoy — Best Sports Game Story
- Tracey Taylor — Best Sports Column
- Bill Hughes — Best Personality Photo
- Bill Hughes — Best Magazine Black and White Photo
- Leigh—Ellen Clark and Bill Hughes — Best Magazine Photo Essay

The five third place awards are:

- Ed Cassavoy — Best Sports Game Story

- Leigh—Ellen Clark and Bill Hughes — Best Magazine Photo Essay
- Tony Cornett — Best Sports Column
- Bill Hughes — Best Magazine Cover
- Bill Hughes — Best Magazine Layout

Camille Brown won a scholarship from the congress.

Lamar University in Beaumont won the Sweepstakes award for the most points overall at the annual conference, and the University of Texas at Arlington won the award for the best overall newspaper.

Texas troops to participate in Honduran war exercises

Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO — With duffle bags and M-16 rifles slung over their shoulders, 146 Texas National Guardsmen filed into a pair of camouflage Air Force cargo jets at day-break Sunday, headed for training maneuvers in Honduras.

The Texans will "conduct joint exercises with Honduran forces. We will be acting as the aggressors in the exercise with the Hondurans," said Maj. Jerry Webster, director of the Forward Area Support Team, also known as FAST.

He said there would be "no live fire" connected with the exercise.

The troops that left Sunday will join about 300 other Texas guardsmen already at a base near Cholulteca, Honduras, about 55 miles south of the capital.

By mid-day, the guard had arrived in Honduras, said guard spokesman Sgt. Larry Todd.

"They'll be moving out to the base camp this afternoon," he said. "They'll all be in place by this evening."

The expedition is a continuation

of the Big Pine war exercises, begun two years ago. Todd said the reserve is expecting no problems in Honduras other than the extreme heat, reported as high as 126 degrees in recent days.

During the upcoming Easter weekend, Texas Gov. Mark White is expected to make a visit to Honduras. This decision comes at a time of political unrest in the Central American nation.

Friday, the Honduran legislature dismissed five of the nine Supreme Court judges for alleged corruption.

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