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**news BRIEFS**

**Withdrawal and Q-drop deadline today**

Today is the deadline for Texas A&M students to Q-drop courses or withdraw from the University for academic reasons. Depending on students' majors, they can go to the dean of their college or to their academic advisers to fill out Q-drop forms or request permission to withdraw. As undergraduates, students are allowed three Q-drops, which appear as a grade of Q on official transcripts. In a policy change being implemented this semester, course grades at the time of withdrawal will no longer be figured into a student's grade-point ratio.

**Pavilion food service hours extended**

The Texas A&M Pavilion snack bar and grill, as of today, has extended its hours of operation. The snack bar will be open Monday through Thursday until midnight, with grill service until 11 p.m. It will be open Fridays until 9 p.m., with grill service until 2:30 p.m. Uniformed security officers from the University Police Department will patrol the area during late-night shifts. Extension of Pavilion food service hours was a collaborative effort of the Pavilion staff, the Department of Food Services, the University Police Department and the Office of the Vice President for Administration.

**America supports U.N. search of Bosnia**

TUZLA, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — For the first time, U.S. troops this week will provide security and other limited support for U.N. war crimes investigators, the commander of the NATO-led peace force in Bosnia said Sunday. Adm. Leighton Smith told reporters he did not expect any major confrontations when investigators from the U.N. War Crimes Tribunal search for mass graves and other evidence of atrocities near Srebrenica, in eastern Bosnia. The U.N. search, which is expected to start Tuesday, will be in Serb territory at sites of alleged massacres of thousands of Bosnian Muslims last summer.

**Local sorority supports breast cancer awareness**

**Zeta Tau Alpha will be distributing information today**

By Marissa Alanis  
THE BATTALION  
In 1996, an estimated 184,300 women in the United States will be diagnosed with breast cancer, and more than 44,000 women nationwide will lose their lives to the disease. Today, at the start of Breast Cancer Awareness Month, the Texas A&M chapter of Zeta Tau Alpha is stationed at the MSC distributing pink ribbons and breast self-examination shower cards with the message "Don't be a Fool, Do Breast Self-Examinations." In support of its national philanthropy, the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation, every ZTA chapter in the United States and in Canada will be distributing the waterproof cards in places such as grocery stores and fitness centers. Laura Waldman, ZTA president and junior management

major, said early detection of breast cancer is the best way to prevent serious medical problems or even death. Margaret Holleman, ZTA service chair and sophomore business major, said people should conduct breast self-examinations, which can be done in as little time as two seconds, every two to three months. The procedure consists of applying various degrees of pressure around the breasts and nipples while lying down or standing before a mirror or in the shower. Stephanie Burns, ZTA standards committee chair and senior speech communication major, said she thinks many women perform the procedure once or twice because they are curious, but that most women are not yet committed to routine self-examination. Breast cancer affects mostly women, but an estimated 260 men will die of the disease each year. Waldman said men are less

concerned with getting breast cancer because statistics show it is predominantly a female problem and because programs are not targeted toward men. "Most guys don't think it will happen to them, and the cards are targeted for girls," Holleman said. "But I definitely think men should be aware." Burns said that from her experience working for breast cancer awareness, she has seen people react in two different ways to the disease. "Girls think that it either won't happen to them or that they're too young to think about it," she said. "The people that has affected don't really feel open to talk about it very much because it's painful." Holleman said the community has been enthusiastic toward ZTA's effort, and men whose wives have died from breast cancer have approached sorority members to express their support.

**Universal university uses uniqueness**

**Soldiers across the globe are able to earn college credit while serving**

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sgt. Metheus Miller has taken English in South Korea, government in Germany and now corporate theory in Croatia — a student-soldier who keeps the peace by day and studies by night. He's in the Army now, but soldiers like Miller, serving around the globe and in the war-ravaged former Yugoslavia, are earning college credits in makeshift University of Maryland University College classrooms. "When we first started here we didn't really have chairs or tables or even a chalkboard," Miller said in a telephone interview from Zagreb, Croatia's capital. "But we managed to scrounge them up. ... We make do." The fatigue-clad students are taught by a rare breed of professor, known as gypsy scholars, that has been holding forth amid rubble and ruin since the post-World War II reconstruction of Germany. "I suppose you have to have a sense of adventure to teach for us," says Joseph Arden, director of the university's European operations. No tenure track for these professors, who have set up chalkboards in muddy tents to hold "live classes" in the world's hot spots — and some 50

countries, from Italy to Iceland. The sun never sets on this universal university that specializes in "distance education," with nearly two-thirds of its 35,000 students scattered from its College Park, Md., campus. The tradition began with David Sparks, one of seven professors who started the overseas program in 1949, teaching American Civilization to soldiers in Germany who saw few Americans and very little civilization left. "I got 24 hours notice. I packed textbooks and reading lists in my footlocker and went," said Sparks, who retired in 1991 as a vice chancellor after 44 years with UMUC, part of the University of Maryland system. "I suppose it seemed like a mission." This term, an expected 400-plus students earning bachelor's and associate degrees can choose from nine subjects, from business to sociology.

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CHEM 101 5 - 7 PM	CH 9, 10	CH 11	CH 12
PHYS 201 7 - 9 PM	CH 15, 16	CH 17, 18	CH 19
PHYS 218 9 - 12 PM	CH 9, 10	CH 11, 12	CH 13, PRAC TEST

**BUSINESS**

TUTOR - RON	MON Apr 1	TUES Apr 2	WED Apr 3
ACCT 229 6 - 9 PM	PART 1	PART 2	PART 3
FINC 341 9 - 12 PM	PART 1	PART 2	PART 3

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Breast cancer is the leading cause of death among women; this year alone some 46,000 will die. Zeta Tau Alpha along with New Balance Shoes, Inc. are proud to be donors to the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation, sponsors of the annual Race for the Cure. Today in the MSC, Texas A&M's Zeta Tau Alpha chapter will be passing out shower cards and pink ribbons; in observance of the fight against breast cancer. Please come by and help support the fight against breast cancer.

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A lynching today to slay a t when held hostage Council, refused "whoop" or take Memorial Student Council mem that a blatant trip a was the first clue to "We were wat we saw him trip of down — on purpo he said. "Not only his bleeding leg ir for an ambulance, his hat. Now that's "We will not to or from A&M st Council member ment used anymo A&M dammit, and rules around here." "We gon' have oned lynchin'!" C bronco riding ma hawwwww!"  
War Hymm remixed by  
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Reveille pro a cat during  
In an annual c College of Veterin ermanians discove logical informatio A&M mascot: Reve Tom Katz, a veteri ned Reveille, said damed she was a played unusual be check-up." Doctor rring and rubbin "But the clincher," was when she co rall." After exten confirmed that Reve to a rare species o coli, which are remote regions of V's breeder has re country, and veter examining the cat for dangerous dise spread to humans.  
People are new study  
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Today's Scrat because I've go red-Ass."  
Kyle Field College Stat