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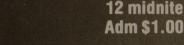
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Off-campus sororities double

By DEBBIE KILLOUGH Although they have yet to be rec-

ognized by the university, off-campus sororities have doubled in membership from 169 girls last year to 318 girls at the end of rush this

Often considered to be elitist, sus the have-nots, sororities have the majority of women at A&M.

A petition was taken last spring to Carolyn Adair, Director of Student Activities, in opposition to the organization of sororities on campus. Adair said the girls complained that sororities would destroy the Aggie

spirit and that girls would consider themselves an X, Y or Z instead of an Aggie However, JoAnn Anthony, Panhellenic advisor for all of the sororities in College Station, said that the girls come to A&M to get an education first, be an Aggie second, and join a sorority third. Mary Bedgood, a previous member of Delta Zeta, said, "I'm

SAT scores rise

subtract.'

away from home

Marianita Paddock, a sophomore,

added, "It's like having a family

Lisa Gumm, however, said

other girls." Pat Casey agreed with

her saying, "Sororities put people

Of the 318 girls that are part of the

sororities in College Station, An-

thony said most of them gave the

opportunities for women, but be-

fore long they come to the realiza-

tion that there is no place to make close friends," Anthony said. "By

joining a sorority, they become part

of a close set of friends, someone

who they can call and say let's go get

its purpose is to "promote friend-

ship, academic achievement, de-

velop potential leadership qualities

in campus life and in the sorority

Robert M. Logan, director of fi-

nancial aid, said there are presently

idential Scholarship program and

Kerley said that A&M students

Academic Achievement Awards,'

take pride in their institution and,

Buses

148 National Merit scholars enrolled at A&M. "We get quite a few National Merit Scholars because of our Pres-

Sorority means "sisterhood" and

'A&M has marvelous academic

same reason for joining.

(Continued from Page 1) requirements. There is no limit on enrollment. Lay said students were admitted on the basis of the SAT,

class ranking, and basic preparatory "There are fewer applications from the lower quarters of high school classes," Lay said. "We also have occasional cases where we look

and interview him. For those who do not meet entrance rquirements, including low SAT scores, a summer provisional program is offered. In this program summer school at A&M. If the student does not fail any summer course and maintains a C average,

he can enter as a regular student in the fall. Kerley refers to the students as the most influential factor in determining the quality of education at

any institution. Last year A&M had more National Merit Scholars than any other public university in Texas. A&M ranks 17th among universities nationwide in total number of Na-

chapter," Anthony said. She also said that the sororities highly in favor of sororities. They add to the traditions of A&M - not

eally do support the traditions of A&M. Several rush parties had been scheduled during Reveille III's funeral, but they were cancel-led so the girls could attend the sororities "discriminate against

ceremony. During the week of Sept. 6-12, formal rush was held by the seven Greek sororities in College Station, Delta Zeta, Alpha Delta Pi, Alpha Gamma Delta, Alpha Phi, Chi Omega, Phi Mu, and Zeta Tau Alpha. These chapters were installed at the end of last year and together took in 78 new pledges this

Also organized this fall were two additional sororities at A&M, Kappa Kappa Gamma and Kappa Alpha Theta. They will be initiated as chapters later in the year.

Rushees were entertained at the parties with skits and refreshments. When final preferential parties were held, the potential sorority members signed secret preference cards. Bids were picked up and were followed up by welcoming par-

When Adair was asked whether or not A&M was going to recognize sororities on campus she said, until we know that is what the majority of the students want.

Anthony said that the sororities in College Station are not seeking recognition by A&M since A&M does not recognize any groups of this nature

'However, if they do start recognizing them in the future, then we will explore the possibilities," said

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Logan said.

Gene Oates, chairman of the Shuttle Bus Operations Committee, said Thursday that one of the two added buses should be in use within the next week. The exact date depends upon when Transportation Enterprises Inc. locates an extra bus elsewhere in the state.

Oates said the second bus would arrive later in the semester since funds have just been made available for its addition.

More than 4800 shuttle bus passes have been sold for this semester, compared to 3100 riders last spring.

"We know that our demand is greater than our supply," Oates "but the situation improves

There have been 310 refunds on shuttle bus passes but only 72 have been returned because of dissatisfaction with the service. The others signed up for the service by mis-

12 midnite

