

Names in the news

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Denver contributes to campaign

Singer John Denver has contributed \$25,000 to a campaign backing a constitutional amendment that would restrict development of nuclear facilities in Colorado.

Denver will also give a benefit concert Oct. 13, with proceeds going to Coloradans for Safe Power, the group backing the proposal.

Media critic calls debate 'Lousy TV'

Marshall McLuhan, media analyst and director of the Center

for Culture and Technology at the University of Toronto, says last Thursday's debate between President Ford and Jimmy Carter was "lousy television."

Former ambassador returns to classroom

Daniel Patrick Moynihan, former United Nations ambassador who's running for the U.S. Senate, is teaching again at Harvard University, Cambridge Mass.



Moynihan

Moynihan won the Democratic nomination in the New York primary Sept. 14 to challenge Conservative incumbent Sen. James L. Buckley.

Fugitive didn't run

When Frank Gauss IV got a legal notice informing him that he was a fugitive from justice, he stuffed some of it in his mouth and burped.

That's really not so terrible, since Gauss, a Chicago resident, is only four months old.

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gauss III, say they can't understand why the baby got the notice, notice of the traffic violation, which occurred Sept. 3,

1975, in Springfield, Ill. "He wasn't born until May 21, 1976," the father said.

Happily, the baby will not go to jail. Mrs. Eleanor Baker, treasurer of the City of Springfield, said, "Let's just call it a computer error and a human error."

Chess Grandmaster gets living permit

Viktor Korchnoi, a Soviet chess grandmaster, who defected July 27 by avoiding the return flight home after a chess match, has been granted permission to settle in The Netherlands.

Korchnoi did not qualify for political asylum but was given a residential permit for an indefinite period.

'Academic survival' helps

Study problems eased

By Jim Northcutt

Large-scale academic help is available for all Texas A&M University students having studying difficulties, a University dean said Tuesday in the MSC.

Speaking at a meeting of Students Older Than Average (SOTA), Diane Strommer, associate dean of the College of Liberal Arts, said that the three academic survival programs held earlier this month have had very large student attendance.

The programs, which are short courses in how to make it at Texas A&M, were originally set up for students in the College of Liberal Arts, but when we got a large turnout of students in other colleges, we

opened the programs to the entire student body," Strommer said to SOTA.

These programs, sponsored by the Dean's Office and by the Liberal Arts Student Council, try to give the students new self-confidence by introducing helpful studying techniques, Strommer said.

"It is very hard for a person to establish self-confidence, especially when that person may have so many outside pressures and internal fears of doing bad in school," she said.

We try to get the students into small groups and talk about some of the problems they are having. Then several techniques to overcome fear are introduced, she said.

"One way we tell the students to

overcome their fear is to have them ask themselves hard questions that they think their professors may ask them on the tests," she said. "Another method is to have them find old tests and study those so to get a feel of what they need to know."

Strommer proposed that SOTA, a new club consisting of A&M students who are over 25, develop a similar academic survival program for the more than 4,000 members in that group.

Jean Baily, president of SOTA, said that if developed, the older students would probably take advantage of learning the new studying techniques, such as coping with

long reading assignments and taking lecture notes.

"About one-fifth of the student body at Texas A&M is 25 or older, and sometimes it is just as hard to study efficiently for those returning to school after ten years as it is for the entering freshmen," Baily said.

The next academic survival program will be at 7:30 p.m., Oct. 5 and another is scheduled for 7:30 p.m., Oct. 26.

Cutting the tape

How can I reclaim lost laundry?

With over 3,300 students using the laundry and more signing up everyday, a few garments will get misplaced. The procedure for reclaiming these items is simple. Bring your itemized slip to your substitution within three class days of the loss. The substitution attendants will file a claim and the item should be returned within eight days. Descriptions of the garments will be helpful.

Where can I get information about campus organizations?

There is no one place on campus that lists all organizations. However, all University recognized organizations are listed with the Student Activities Office. This office is located by the entrance of room 216 of the MSC. *Student Organization Guide*, a book soon to be printed, lists each of these organizations and its sponsor and president. Also, most major clubs and all Student Government Committees have cubicles in room 216 where information is always available.

Meeting dates for clubs are published in *The Battalion* and are shown on the TV screens in the MSC. Other valuable sources of meeting dates of both recognized and unrecognized clubs are the kiosks and bulletin boards around campus.

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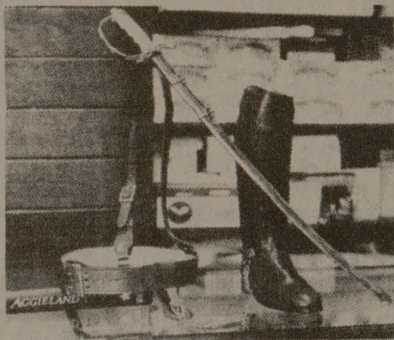
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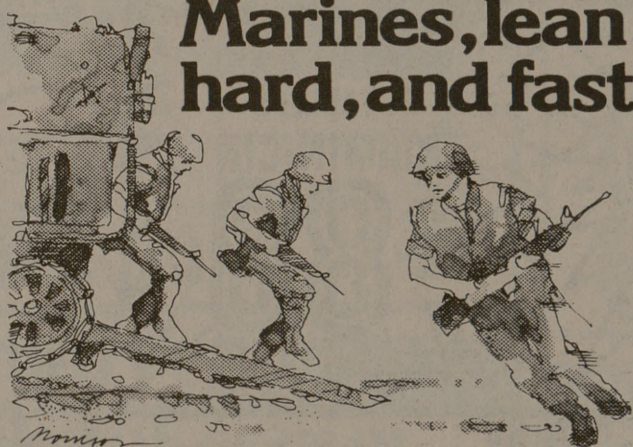
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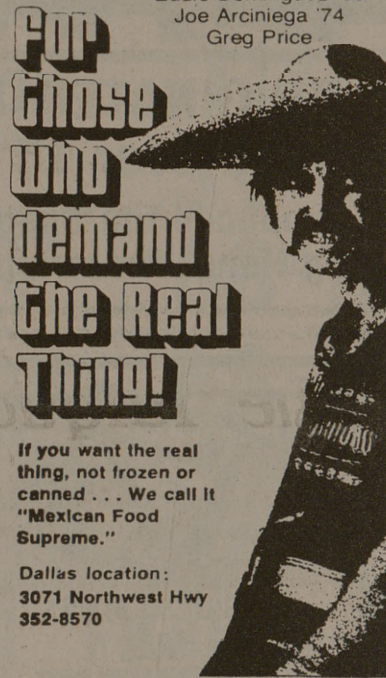
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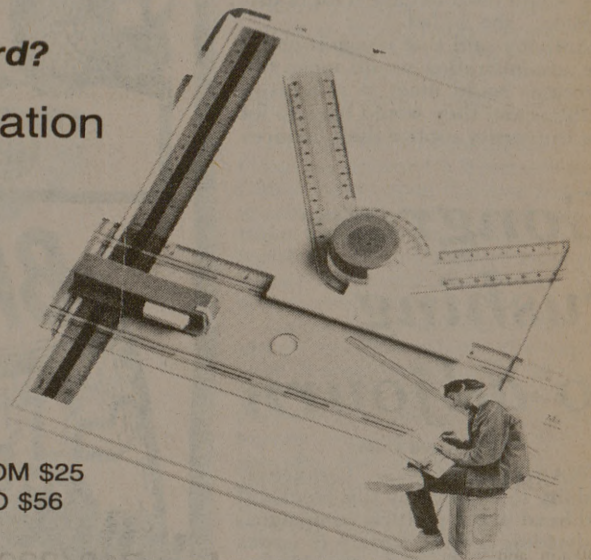
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