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Staffer receives prize for gumbo

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Jay Maynard, assistant director for Auxiliary Dining Services at Texas A&M University, won a first prize for his "Cajun Creole Gumbo" recipe.

Every Friday, the Memorial Student Center serves a special creole gumbo which recently won a first prize appetizer award in Pennsylvania.

Jay Maynard, Assistant Director for Auxiliary Dining Services at Texas A&M University, is the creator of this "Cajun Creole Gumbo" recipe.

The National Frozen Food Association sponsored the Second Annual Contest for the Creative Use of Frozen Foods. Restaurant operators, dietitians, cooks, managers and even certified executive chefs competed in NFFA's industry-wide contest.

Maynard said several years ago he spent some time as Food Service Director at Louisiana College in Alexandria, La., where he was introduced to Creole cooking, which is "the black version of French-Canadian Cuisine — spicy and full-bodied."

Maynard's "Cajun Creole Gumbo" recipe consists of shrimp, (floured and sauteed), chicken, diced ham, cut okra, celery, onions, parsley and julienne bell peppers. This mixture is stirred to perfection in water and a tablespoon of gumbo file powder, which thickens the broth.

Maynard said this recipe adapts nicely to an all-fish or all-chicken variety.

The MSC serves a variety of this gumbo each Friday, using the chicken, fish or shrimp recipe.

"I often serve a fish gumbo which I make very inexpensively with leftover products — it's the kind of recipe that backs up up nicely against the food problem waste," Maynard said.

Maynard said that it is a costly problem to have when you're feeding 30,000 meals a day. "I manage two cafeterias and five snack bars,

and I also handle banquets and catered events, averaging about 100 functions a day. With that volume we can't afford to make mistakes," Maynard said.

Besides all these responsibilities, Maynard also teaches one semester in Texas A&M University's Food Technology Department — gourmet cooking and

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A&M group plans Wagner concert

A Wagner evening is planned for Dec. 7 at 8 p.m. by the University Symphonic Band.

The Symphonic Band's fall semester concert, sponsored by the Bryan Rotary Club at the Rudder Auditorium, will present a variety of music from marches to overtures, all by Richard Wagner.

Director Joe K. McMullen said the program will include overtures to "Rienzi" and "Tannhauser," a baritone solo, "Song to the Evening Star" from the opera Tannhauser, several selections from "Lohengrin" and Wagner's "American Centennial March."

Wagner was commissioned at \$5,000 — a substantial amount then — to write the centennial march in 1876.

The baritone solo will feature Donna Dunlap, a Bryan student.

An all-university organization made up of 72 musicians including students, faculty and staff, the phonic Band will play Feb. 17 at the annual convention of the Association of School Administrators (AASA).

AASA invited the Texas band for the final concert of the symposium in New Orleans last summer. They will share the program with former President Gerald R. Ford.

McMullen said several performances are planned en route to the convention.

A relatively young Texas organization, the Symphonic Band won early recognition. It appeared in regular local concerts formed in Texas cities from Dallas to Pasadena, was featured in the Brady Band Festival and formed at the 1977 Texas Educators Association convention in San Antonio. The all-volunteer rehearses twice a week.

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