

Students involved in agency program at A&M

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Administering a youth agency, directing youth programs, or representing agencies in the field requires professional training. That is the purpose of the American Humanics program here.

Currently, there are 30 AH members at Texas A&M University. AH will hold a new student reception next Tuesday at 7:30 p.m., in room 205 of the Memorial Student Center. Members will review the program and show slides about careers with youth voluntary agencies. Also, members will tell of their experiences in the program.

The AH program, founded 30 years ago, recruits and educates young people for careers in youth agency administration. There are 10 colleges and universities involved in the program besides Texas A&M.

Once an undergraduate student has chosen an eligible degree plan at Texas A&M, he may join the program. These majors

include recreation and parks, sociology, P.E., agricultural education, management and psychology.

The AH resident administrator suggests careers in various agencies that are relevant to a student's major.

Several voluntary youth-serving programs that employ AH graduates are Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, YMCA, YWCA, Campfire Girls, 4-H, Boys' Club, Girls' Club, Junior Achievement, Big Brothers and Big Sisters and American Red Cross. These agencies need approximately 1,800 new professionals each year.

"The humanics program is not well known on campus and through the new student reception we hope to reach people whose interests lie in youth development agencies," said Brenda Casimir, student recruiting chairman for AH.

Casimir said that the program provides opportunities for students who are uncertain of which

field they want to pursue. She said the program is also helpful to students majoring in areas, such as psychology, which tend to have fewer job openings than other fields.

In addition to college electives, AH offers a co-curricular program that includes field trips to agency facilities and workshops in which agency professionals talk with students.

A co-op program is available to students who wish to work one semester in each of four years.

One way the program helps career placement is through the publication of a Student Employment Prospectus, which is sent to about 300 agencies. It includes a description of the student's training and what type of job he wants.

Rogers said the program prepares students academically through elective course concentration and helps to actively involve them in professional agencies.

Shiner brewery says bill could increase beer price

AUSTIN — The small but popular south Texas brewery that makes and distributes Shiner beer is using newspaper advertisements in an effort to guarantee a large turnout for House debate on legislation opponents claim could increase the price of beer and endanger the brewery.

Shiner, which has been granted tax breaks by the Legislature in previous sessions, used the ads to invite its drinkers to attend today's House session to watch debate on the bill by Rep. Gibson Lewis, D-Fort Worth, to permit the use of so-called "minibottles" in Texas and prevent direct sales from producers to retailers and consumers.

The bill, which cleared the Senate earlier in the session, requires beer be distributed through wholesalers and retailers, and requires consumers to purchase only from retailers.

In its newspaper ads, Shiner claimed to be a Texas tradition and part of an endangered species — small breweries — and asks voters to help save the species, adding, "After all, you wouldn't let them tear down the Alamo, would you?"

The small breweries also say the bill would do away with the bulk of keg beer sales by prohibiting producers from selling kegs directly to the public.

Lewis defended his bill, and accused Shiner officials of capitalizing on legislative sympathy for favors in the past, and attempting to do so on this bill.

"Shiner is not going to accept anything fair because they never had to, they've always had special favors," Lewis said.

"There's no way this bill is away with keg beer. The only it does is prohibit them from kegs directly off the dock, and where they make their profit."

Lewis said the bill had amended to permit Shiner to beer directly to retail outlets than channeling its beer through wholesalers. "That's an effective Shiner as we have done in the five terms I've done here."

"Rather than buying off the at Shiner, the customer will be buying at a retail outlet on street."

Lewis contends no amount of legislation, or higher prices, to discourage Shiner drinkers

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