

Local

What's Up

MONDAY

CLASS OF '81: Will be selling class T-shirts from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the MSC Main Hall.

TUESDAY

ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS & ACTION: Will meet at 7:30 p.m. in C-11 Langford Architecture Center.

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SOCIETY OF AUTOMOTIVE ENGINEERS: Will meet at 7:30 p.m. in 127B Zachry.

INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR ON WORLD ISSUES: The seminar, sponsored by the International Awareness Committee/International Student Association, will be held at 7 p.m. in 102 Zachry.

PRE-MED/PRE-DENT SOCIETY: Will meet at 7:30 p.m. in 209 Harrington.

COLLEGIATE FFA: Will meet at 7 p.m. in 105 Harrington. Freshman elections will be held.

AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS: Will meet at 7:30 p.m. in 100 Harrington.

WEDNESDAY

TAMU SAILING CLUB: Will meet at 7 p.m. in 321 Physics.

"AN AMERICAN IN PARIS": This romantic musical will be shown at 7:30 p.m. in Rudder Theatre.

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RHA to sponsor national residence halls meet here

By RACHEL BOSTWICK
Battalion Reporter

Texas A&M University has been chosen by the National Association of College and University Residence Halls (NACURH) to host the 1981 Residence Halls Association Convention May 21-24. The program proposed by Texas A&M is "Burning Desire: Fire Up Your Residence Halls." The theme of "burning desire" is used to draw a comparison between the building of bonfire and the building of a better residence hall. In each instance, people begin with a rough and disorganized idea of what they're doing, said James Skees, audio visual equipment subchairman.

"It's a lot of people working to bring ideas and materials together until those ideas start to take shape and finally are molded into a polished structure," he said. Through cooperation and hard work, people reach a common goal, Skees said.

NACURH is a student organization with more than 100 member schools nationwide. Formed as a subcommittee of RHA at the university where a convention is to be held, NACURH coordinates

all activities, programs and entertainment. A university is chosen to host a convention on the basis of the originality of its bid, the design of the program and what the program has to offer.

Also taken into consideration is the cost per delegate, how often a region has hosted a convention and the possibility of other schools in the region getting involved in NACURH.

Rick Mora, chairman of NACURH, said the convention is aimed at building residence hall associations across the country. Through the convention, he said, ideas and programs are exchanged among the schools.

"It's interesting to note that Casino came out of a conference like that," Mora said. "We picked up the idea from another school. Now it's very profitable for RHA. It's a great money maker." Casino is an annual Las Vegas-type event sponsored by RHA.

Mora also said the conventions promote involvement by RHA people. He added that after the last Texas RHA convention, there was a huge increase in membership.

Texas A&M was selected on the

basis of its program bid, Mora said. While other schools hold workshops and seminars, he said, they plan to split the delegates into hall councils and charge them with the task of coming up with the perfect semester's programming — "that all-elusive perfect."

They will then be judged, Mora said, and as an incentive, awards will be given to some of the better ones.

"We anticipate having about 50 different hall councils," Mora said. The program is different than anything that has ever been done, he said.

Mark Christian, publicity sub-chairman, said about 1,500 delegates are expected. Last year there were between 1,000 to 1,200 delegates. Christian said more were expected due to the central location of Texas A&M compared to the 1980 convention in North Carolina.

Christian said they saw what people liked and what they disliked last year, and they want to change the unfavorable things. "We want them to have the best convention they've ever had," he said. "We want to show off Texas A&M. We've got a lot of pride."

Student dies in accident over break

Texas A&M University sophomore Bob Leslie Bowles was killed March 19 in a traffic accident in Crosby.

The 19-year-old business administration student died in an accident involving the fire truck he was driving.

Bowles had served as an active volunteer fireman for three years. He was a Distinguished Student at Texas A&M.

A graduate of Crosby High School, Bowles was captain of the football team which went to the state quarter finals in 1979. He was named to the all-district and all-zone teams and received honorable mention for the all-state team.

Services were held Saturday at the Crosby United Methodist church, with burial at White cemetery in Tyler.

Silver Taps for Bowles will be held April 14.

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