Local

CS candidates present platforms

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All six candidates in College Station's municipal elections say they want to improve city planning, zoning and government-citizen relationships, but only three will have the actual opportunity.

Two candidates are vying for each of three posts in the election that will be held Saturday.

Incumbent Roy W. Kelly, owner of A-1 Auto Parts, and Dr. Alvin H. Prause, a pediatrician, are both campaigning for Place 1 on the council.

Kelly said, "I think there are four main issues: zoning, growth, proper zoning for growth, upgrading (city) employees' salaries and their jobs and finding a solution to improve citizen input."

Prause said he wants to maintain better communication between government and citizens.

"There's this lack of confidence in the present city government and it's creating animosity between the council and citizens," he said.

Prause said he also wants to "preserve personal safety and protection" by increasing the city's fire and police staff, preserve the integrity of existing and future neighborhoods, improve existing park lands, and create an industry zoning ordinance.

"We have to have a good industry zoning ordinance which has teeth in it, which we don't have now," the challenger said.

Nancy Ann Thornberry, a teacher at College Hills Elementary School and educational consultant, is challenging incumbent Larry J. Ringer for the Place 3 position.

Thornberry said she is concerned with three issues: open, honest discussion of issues between city administrators and College Station residents; support for more rigid adherence to zoning restrictions; and improving city and school district tax bases through developing industrial parks away from established residential areas.

Ringer, a Texas A&M University statistics professor, said the three main issues in his platform are: continued plans for growth with a revised and updated growth plan; development of parks and recreational facilities; and continued improvement of city services in the area of public safety — specifically, fire and police protection.

Incumbent Tony Jones, owner of Tony Jones Construction Co., is being challenged for Place 5 by Jim Gardner, an urban and regional planning professor at Texas A&M and former council member.

Jones said city growth resulting from the University's growth is one of his main concerns. "The growth problem is the biggest problem we have," he said.

Adopting a uniform plan that will compliment all areas of growth and that will be approved by the majority of the area's citizens is one thing he said he would like to help the council do.

But, "There's a lot more to planning than just a comprehensive plan," he said. Plans must be able to be changed because councils are working with people, individual situations, and relationships, the incumbent said.

"Having a controlled plan with a balanced tax base is critical," he said.

Growth and planning also concern Gardner.

"(A main issue) is growth, and how we should handle it, and how it's mishandled," Gardner said. "I'm not anti-growth. I just think we should do a better job of managing it."

Gardner said he wants to see a "more responsible government."

"They (the council) are not irresponsible," he said. "They're just not listening as much as they should ... I think they should be more responsive."

In addition to the council elections, College Station's ballots will include a public opinion poll and a seven-item bond election. The seven propositions include an improved water works system, improved sewer system, improved electrical system, street improvements, public buildings improvements, a public parks improvement plan, and a park lands aquisition plan.

Polling sites will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the following locations:

- Precinct 8 — South Knoll Elementary School
- Precinct 9 — Special Services Building on Jersey Street
- Precinct 10 — Central Fire Station
- Precinct 20 — Texas A&M Memorial Student Center
- Precinct 21 — Old Municipal Building at 101 Church Street
- Precinct 24 — College Hills Elementary School
- Precinct 31 — A&M Consolidated High School.

Texas A&M Student Government's liasion with the council, Mary Elizabeth Herring, warned student senators in a March 27 memo that "Several of the candidates ... have openly expressed support for 'down-zoning' and pledged to curtail multiple housing zones.

Herring emphasized in the memo that "fewer apartments will mean higher costs."

However, candidates for the city council posts to be filled Saturday generally agreed there is no specific movement afoot to decrease multi-unit zoning areas.

Councilman Ringer said Thursday, "I wouldn't want a large cluster of apartments; they need to be scattered throughout the community. But on the other hand, since they (the apartments) primarily serve the University, it would be counterproductive to locate them far from the campus."

Incumbent Jones said his main concern is "improvement of the city.

"I don't like to see apartments congested, no," he said Thursday.

Jones' opponent for Place 5, Jim Gardner, said some city council ordinances "may need review and revision.

"The thing about apartments," he said, "is where, not how many."

Gardner said most apartment complexes were designed for two cars per apartment, but three or four college students in an apartment may all have automobiles, causing overcrowding.

EMTs sponsor conference

The Texas A&M University Emergency Care Team and the Texas Society of Fire Service Instructors will host the 1981 Emergency Care Symposium Saturday in Rudder Theater.

Emergency professionals and emergency care students from Texas A&M and other schools will discuss areas of technical advancements in emergency care as well as administrative and managerial areas.

The registration fee of $30, which includes a bound copy of the presentations made by each speaker, can be paid at the A.P. Beutel Health Center.

Corps march to Brazos to raise money for charity

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Texas Aggies do things their own way and that includes raising money for the March of Dimes.

Among the other Brazos County organizations holding marathons and walkathons for the March of Dimes, the Texas A&M Corps of Cadets will have their fifth annual March to the Brazos Saturday to raise money for the nationwide campaign against birth defects.

Tracy Cox, chairman of the March to the Brazos, said the event is "kind of like a walkathon but we don't like to call it that because we march."

Everyone in the Corps participates in the event, Cox said. Assembled in their respective outfits, Corps members will gather on the Corps Quad and start marching the 6.5 miles to the Brazos River down Highway 60 at 8:30 a.m., he said.

The whole group of cadets makes a chain of people "about two miles long," Cox said.

Three Dallas Cowboy Cheerleaders will be the river to help promote the event, Cox said.

After they get to the Brazos, Corps members will participate in athletic events such as sack races, tug of war and a stretcher-carrying race.

The outfit that wins the competition will be recognized for accomplishment of the feat on Parents' Day, Cox said.

Cox said that in the past, the Corps has raised $18,000, more money than any other group in Brazos County.

Individual members take pledges and the Corps member who raises the most money will receive a radio head set, Cox said.

The outfit that raises the most money will receive streamers for their outfit flag and will be acknowledged on Parents' Day.

This year, in conjunction with the March to the Brazos, the Corps is holding an "all you can eat" at Pasta's Sunday at 4 p.m.

Cox said one Corps member from each outfit will enter the contest and the one who eats the most pizza will earn $500 for his outfit, compliments of Pasta's, for the campaign.

"We did the same thing (donated $500) last year," said Jim Reese, vice president of Pasta's.

Pasta's gives money for other charities, Reese said, but the $500 contribution to the Corps' March of Dimes effort "is something special we do," he said.

"We appreciate the Corps' business and we like to do something for them when we get the chance," he said.

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