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### Advisers have place to air grievances

## Better rapport is aim of RA council

By **TIM FOARDE**  
Battalion Reporter  
Texas A&M resident advisers have created an RA council to serve as a forum for RA problems and experiences, to improve communication with administrators and to program social activities for RAs.

The Department of Student Affairs employs over 150 graduate and undergraduate students to work in University residence halls as resident advisers. RAs are responsible for administration, discipline, counseling and social directing in the residence halls.

Lisa Campana, a senior accounting and management student, chairs the RA Council. She is an RA in Clements Hall.

Campana said the Council has one voting representative from each dorm, but encourages all RAs to participate in council meetings and activities. Council members meet semi-weekly and all officers, committee chairmen and project heads serve on a voluntary basis.

"A principle objective of the Council is to promote good relations between RAs," Campana said. "There will be an emphasis on programs like RA retreats, RA exchanges and guest lecturers."

The Council will work to improve relations between residents living in dorms on the north and south sides of campus, Campana said. RAs will be able to exchange ideas, get to know each other and discuss issues concerning their jobs.

In addition to uniting the RA staff, Campana said, the Council will help the RAs communicate with the Department of Student Affairs.

"We want to open the channels of communication on the staff level and between RAs and the administrators," she said.

Ron Blatchley, director of student affairs, said the Council has potential as a liaison between the RAs and administrators.

"It certainly will be valuable as a tool for input and feedback for the department when there is something of interest or concern to the students in the halls or the RAs in general," Blatchley said.

"Basically I think it will provide organized social functions for RAs to get better acquainted with each other," he said.

Housing Program Supervisor Jim Wallace, in charge of develop-

ing RA training programs, is one of the council's sponsors. He said one of the council's goals is to serve as a primary resource for training, selection and evaluation process for RAs.

"The regular meetings will welcome to talk to RAs," Wallace said. "If the group has some problems or suggestions, it will be an opportunity for them to express their ideas more directly."

"The council will especially help the RAs understand what other RAs are experiencing and would like to see more involvement among the RAs themselves."

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## Disaster services group plans for local calamities

by **TOM SOLOMON**  
Battalion Reporter  
If floods, fire or tornadoes come to the local area, some residents plan to be prepared.

The Disaster Services of Red Cross will hold an organizational meeting at 7:30 tonight in 501 Rudder Tower.

Brazos County badly needs an organized disaster readiness program, said Marti Nix, chairman of the board of directors of the Brazos County Red Cross.

"Our community has grown tremendously in size," she said. "With the students in session nine months out of the year it even grows more."

Civil Defense is involved with evacuating and setting up minimal shelter for people who are evacuating. But, Nix added: "We have no strong, organized structure that will function when a disaster happens in this community."

Nix cited the possibility of a railroad derailment as one disaster that Bryan-College Station should be prepared to handle.

"What happens if we have a derailment and a couple of chemical cars break open, and we have noxious gases?" she asked. "Just think of what is going to happen to the University area."

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Disaster Services of Red Cross would provide the organization

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will supply the necessary such as food, shelter and clothing to disaster victims until they get situated again.

Anyone interested in disaster readiness is asked to come to the meeting, Nix said.

"We're setting up this meeting to involve as many people as we can," Nix said, "whether they are professional people such as teachers, men and policemen, who would be involved in a disaster anyway, or just the average college student who realizes there's a problem here, is going to help."

People who have first aid training like cardiopulmonary resuscitation will be invaluable to the group, she said.

Students also can be very valuable. The group needs volunteers that can type and learn how to use the forms that are necessary when a disaster occurs. Students can help in the shelters during a disaster by passing out sandwiches or keeping the children in the shelter occupied, Nix said.

"It's just really important this community that we get organized," she said.

"There's no sense waiting until the disaster to happen to get organized," she said.

needed to coordinate relief should other disasters occur. The group

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