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Law Day

Legal profession on trial at A&M Saturday

by Theresa Scott
Battalion Reporter
Texas A&M students thinking of a legal career can learn more about the field at MSC Law Day Saturday in 102 Academic and Agency Building.

At Law Day, students can find out more about law schools and what the legal profession is like, student Chairman Jim Stolarski said.

Law Day, formerly held as MBA-Law Day, is now scheduled separately in order to give students and representatives from the law profession more time to talk with each other.

"We could not justify giving the students or the representatives only half a day," said Stolarski, a junior finance major. "There is too much to cover in

half a day."

State Sen. Kent Caperton, D-Bryan, will answer questions during a panel discussion on law careers. A city mayor, a county judge and practicing attorneys also will be on the panel.

Houston attorney Fred McClure will be the guest speaker. McClure, a graduate of Texas A&M and Baylor Law School, gave the keynote address at the 1981 Texas A&M Muster.

Law schools from across the nation will be represented, including the law schools of Harvard University, Yale University, Tulane University, Baylor University, Texas Tech University and the University of Houston.

Others attending will be

Southern Methodist University, the University of Texas, the University of Florida, University of the Pacific, Drake University, South Texas School of Law and the University of Texas at Arlington.

Practicing attorneys from a number of firms also will attend. These include representatives of the firms Fulbright and Jaworski and Brazewell and Paterson.

Three panel discussions will be presented during the day. The first will center on the various law schools represented, the second will cover career opportunities and the third will let students talk informally with the representatives.

About 200 students are expected to participate in Law Day. Invitations were sent to pre-law majors at UH, Rice University, SMU, Sam Houston

State University, Texas State University, F. Austin State University, Blinn College, said Henry Miller, public relations and student chair.

Tickets for Law Day are on sale for \$2 at Rudder Office; a \$6 ticket allows student to attend a barbecue as well. Tickets also are available Saturday in the office of the Academic and Agency Building beginning at 8

Preparations for law school admittance held this month

by June DuVall
Battalion Reporter
The Law School Admissions Test is just around the corner for Texas A&M pre-law students looking for admittance into various law schools, said.

A mock LSAT has been scheduled for Feb. 16 at 8 a.m. in 102 Zachry Engineering Center. Sign-up for the mock test is in 100 Harrington Tower and the sign-up deadline is Feb. 10. A \$5 fee will be charged.

The LSAT is scheduled for Feb. 23 at 8 a.m. and will be given in Harrington Classroom Center. The room will be decided upon when the exact number taking the exam has been determined. The exam fee is \$20 and the registration fee is \$18.

The LSAT is composed of

five areas including principles and cases, practical judgment, mathematics, logical analysis and writing ability, explained Dr. Hillary J. Jessup, a counselor in Academic Counseling Services.

However, after the LSAT is given this month, the area of mathematics will be withdrawn from the exam and the portion pertaining to writing ability will be increased to give a better demonstration of the students' capabilities, Jessup said.

An LSAT weekend review has been slated for Friday through Sunday in Austin. The 48-hour course was designed to increase understanding and performance, and will be taught by local attorneys and instructors, along with some University of Texas law students.

The total cost for the review is \$150. The fee covers a diagnostic exam, classes, materials prepared by instructors, a mock LSAT and Barron's LSAT workbook.

Of the 240 Texas A&M students who took the LSAT last year, the average score was 549.36 out of a possible 800, which is rather high, Jessup said. The average grade point average of university students accepted into law school

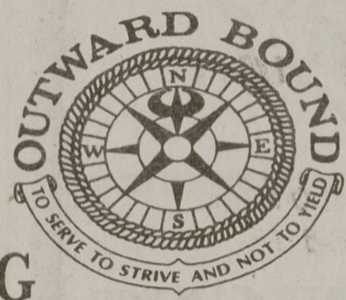
Of those students, their scores sent back to academic advisors at Texas A&M are approximately two-thirds accepted into various schools. Texas A&M students applying to Texas law schools have high acceptance rates. South Texas School of Law and Texas Tech University of Texas.

In the past, LSAT scores were sent directly to law schools without students ever seeing them. Computer errors never found, and students being refused entrance without explanations. Now exam scores are turned to the students' review, in addition to being turned to the various schools.

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Texas A&M lecturers found through bureau

by John P. Lopez
Battalion Reporter
Texas A&M University is one of the few schools in the nation with a speakers' bureau, an organization formed to simplify the process of finding a qualified lecturer to speak on a specific topic.

"It's something that's intended to help people who are interested in A&M speakers find out how to reach them and how to arrange speaking engagements," Mary Jo Powell, assistant director of public information, said.

The bureau, organized years ago, is funded by the Office of Public Information. Before the bureau was formed, people didn't know who to call when they wanted a speaker from the University of Texas at Austin. Available speakers cover a wide range of topics ranging from culture to zoology. Speakers who discuss general areas are available.

The Office offers a listing of 50 speakers who are available, she said. Group members want to contact the speaker, she said, eliminating the middleman in the process.

The types of groups using speakers vary greatly, she said, but this year unusually high number of organizations called her for speakers on Veterans Day and Pearl Harbor Day. A similar program of the Office of Public Information is a book of news sources and experts in their fields, as references.

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