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What's Up at Texas A&M

Thursday

ORMER STUDENTS AND STUDENT GOVERN-MENT: Buck Weirus Spirit Award applications will be available until April 12 in the Deans' offices, the SPO and theh Forsyth Alumni Center (131 MSC).

SCCEPHEID VARIABLE: "Fantastic Voyage" will be shown at 7:30 p.m. and 9:45 p.m. in 601 Rudder.

SC VARIETY SHOW: Tickets for the MSC Variety Show on April 16 at 7:30 p.m. in Rudder Auditorium are on sale now in the box office. Tickets cost \$2.50 for students and \$3.50 for

TUDENT GOVERNMENT, OPA AND APO: The Aggie Blood Drive will be from April 5-8 in the Commons and in front of Sbisa from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. and in 212-224 MSC from 11

LPHA KAPPA DELTA: "Sociology in a Conservative Environment" will be presented at 7:30 p.m. in 502 Rudder.

NTRAMURAL TRACK PRELIMS: Running events for men and women, dorm and independant, will be at 7 p.m. in Kyle

INIVERSITY LUTHERAN CHAPEL: Maundy Thursday servance of Passover with footwashing and holy communion will be at 6:30 p.m. in the chapel.

SIERRA CLUB: Endangered species and tropical rain forests will be the topic for this slide presentation and discussion by Dr. Jack Sites at 7:30 p.m. in the Eagle Community Room.

NITED CAMPUS MINISTRY: Women's bible study will be at 7:30 p.m. at 1002 Pershing. OLLEGE OF SCIENCE LECTURE: "Big Bang — The Origin of the Universe" will be presented by Prof. David Schramm

at 8 p.m. in 301 Rudder. TOYOTA OWNER'S ASSOCIATION: There will be a repair clinic on the brake system at 7:30 p.m. in 321 Rudder.

utel Health (en TEXAS A&M ICE HOCKEY TEAM: Meeting to discuss team planning, show a film and to organize will be at 8 p.m. in the Multi-media film room on the sixth floor of the library.

EXAS A&M WHEELCHAIR BASKETBALL TEAM: There will be a wheelchair basketball game against the yell leaders at 8 p.m. in G. Rollie White.

RADITION'S COUNCIL: There will be T-shirts on sale all week in the MSC for Howdy Week(April 12-16).

TAMU MICROCOMPUTER CLUB: Dr. Johnson will continue "The Finite Element" at 7:30 p.m. in 104A Zachry.

NSTITUTE OF TRANSPORTATION ENGINEERS: Dr. John P. Abbott will speak on "Communication" at 7:30 p.m. in 121 C.E. Building.

IRCLE K: New officers will preside for the first time and the new committee chairmen will be announced at 7 p.m. in 504 R. Also social and project plans will be discussed. All students are

Friday

FAMU ANTHROPOLOGY CLUB: "The Archaeology of Alaska" will be presented by Rick Holloway at 7:30 p.m. in 301

RADITIONS COUNCIL: Very important to discuss Howdy Week (April 12-16) and plans for next year at 7:30 p.m. in 305 Physics Building. Contact Christy Jackson (693-9366) if you can't come

NANCE ASSOCIATION: General meeting to discuss field trip, officer elections and spring picnic at 6:30 p.m. in 125 A&A. SCUBA CLUB: Meeting to discuss up-coming dives and to show slides at 7 p.m. in 305 A&B Rudder.

NTERVARSITY CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP: There will

be a meeting at 7 p.m. in 410 Rudder.

TAMU CHESS CLUB: There will be a meeting at 7 p.m. in 302

ISC BASEMENT COMMITTEE: There will be a lounge show featuring Greg and Tracie Rickard from 11 a.m. to noon,
Tara Glass and George Stearns from noon to 1 p.m. and Ken
Foster and Ed Gabviclson from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. in the MSC

INDIA ASSOCIATION: Hindi movie "Abhimaan" starring Amitabh Bachchan and Jaya Bhaduri will be shown at 7:30 p.m.

NITED CAMPUS MINISTRY: Friday night bible study will be at 6:30 p.m. Check MSC Video for room number.

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INIVERSITY LUTHERAN CHAPEL: Special Good Friday Tenebrae Service will be at 9 p.m. in the chapel, 315 N. College

Saturday

ATHOLIC STUDENTS ASSOCIATION: Inquiry Class final rehearsal will be at 11 a.m. in the student center.

EXAS TRIATHLON: Participants for swim-run-bicycle will compete at 8 a.m. by the outdoor pool.

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Curing genetic defects is goal

Baylor doctors clone gene

Baylor College of Medicine have cloned a gene on the X chromosome, a feat that could be help- cultures. ful in the effort to locate carriers

"Yes, we have cloned the gene," Dr. C. Thomas Caskey, head of the genetics section at Baylor, said Tuesday. "We feel we've done something pretty significant.

make exact copies of the gene in large quantities. Genes have mutilation. Babies afflicted with been successfully cloned in the incurable syndrome often hamsters, mice and human cell

The particular gene that was jects. and ultimately cure some dis-eases by gene replacement. cloned is connected with a defi-ciency in an enzyme called hypoxanthine phosphoribosyltrans-ferase or HPRT, Caskey said.

> Lesch-Nyhan syndrome, in which babies are born severely

the incurable syndrome often bite and scratch themselves and beat their heads with hard ob-

In its milder form, the deficiency results in gouty arthritis In its more severe form, a deficiency of HPRT causes Lesch-Nyhan syndrome.

About 10 percent of all gouty arthritis is the result of the deficiency.

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Which babies are born severely cloning means scientists can which babies are born severely mentally retarded and with a late the cell to produce enough being able to correct the genetic

scribes as being essential to the cell's "housekeeping" functions.

The gene is thought to be close to other genes, which when defective, can cause hemophilia excessive bleeding — or mental retardation.

Because so little of the enzyme is produced by the cell, it was difficult to clone the gene, Caskey said.

He hopes by studying the genes and chromosomes, doctors will be able to identify women who are carriers of the diseases before they become pregnant. Then the women could be told of their chances of having infants with some physic-

Caskey's findings are being reported in this month's issue of Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences.

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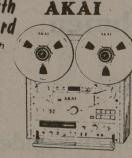
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