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By Scott McCullar

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THE NEW AGGIE ALUMNI
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STAFF, ADMINISTRATORS, AND
ESPECIALLY, ALUMNI.

EXAMPLES
Q: WHAT DO YOU GET IF YOU CROSS
THE RICH ALUMNI WITH THE
BOARD OF REGENTS?

A: ANGRY ALUMNI.



Q: WHY DID THE ALUMNI
CROSS THE ROAD?

A: TO ATTEND
AN IMPORTANT MEETING
IN RUDDER TOWER.

Q: WHAT DID THE RICH ALUMNI
SAY WHEN HE WAS ASKED
HIS OPINION ON THE PRO-
POSED HILTON HOTEL?

A: HE WONDERED IF THERE WAS
ROOM ENOUGH IN TOWN.



Q: HOW MANY ALUMNI DOES IT
TAKE TO CHANGE A LIGHT BULB?

A: ONE, UNLESS HIS ASSISTANT
DOES IT.

..100 COMPLETELY IN-
OFFENSIVE, NONUPSETTING,
TAME, AVOIDING-ANY-DANGER
TYPE JOKES TO HELP YOU
REMEMBER, THAT YOU SHOULDN'T
DO ANYTHING, ANYTHING, THAT
MIGHT UPSET THE ALUMNI...



Jury gets
Rangers' vote probe

United Press International
MELISSA — A Collin County grand jury will look over an investigative report by the Texas Rangers into a ballot box scandal next week, the Collin County district attorney says.

The Rangers investigated charges that Mayor Danny Spearman and other city council members violated state law by opening the ballot box after the April 3 city election. State law requires the box to be opened by the election judge.

The mayor and city council members opened the box for a recount of votes April 6.

In first results, challenger Kelly Stanley won by a one-vote edge over incumbent Cecil Kimbell. Two subsequent recounts gave Kimbell the seat by four votes.

A Department of Public Safety spokesman said the Rangers were asked to investigate election results.

Collin County District Attorney Tom O'Connor said Wednesday his office had received the report and turned it over to the grand jury.

Vietnam widow fighting to regain cut SS benefits

United Press International
HOUSTON — Mary Taylor is not long on political experience, but her government never took anything away from her before either. She is fighting to get back military widow's benefits promised by her husband's recruiters. She is leader of the Houston chapter of Survivors of Sacrifice, an organization trying to reverse Reagan administration withdrawal of Social Security survivors benefits from Vietnam era widows and orphans.

"Since our husbands' employer made these promises, these people gave their lives," Taylor said Wednesday. "Their sacrifice is made. They kept their end of the deal. Now, will the government keep theirs?"

Taylor is the widow of former Odessa Navy Lt. Cmdr. Thomas Franklin Taylor, a veteran of 140 missions over Vietnam who was killed in a 1971 training plane crash near Jacksonville, Fla., at age 34.

Until the Social Security cuts, Taylor's daughter Talitha, 15, was entitled to benefits until she was 22 if she went to college, and her mother was eligible for the benefits until Talitha turned 18.

Daughter Talitha will still get \$342 a month in Veterans Administration education benefits, but she will lose \$441 a month in Social Security survivor benefits.

The new rules cut off widow's benefits for a mother when her daughter is 16 and for daughter at age 18, even if she goes to college. Taylor figures the loss at \$25,000 in taxfree funds promised when her husband was recruited.

"The cuts happened when they decided they would cut survivors benefits to save the Social Security system," Taylor said. "This saved billions of dollars. But unfortunately about 1 per-

cent of the people cut were war widows."

Taylor said Social Security has notified no one and that many young widows with children far from college age are among those who have not confronted the question yet.

"Out there all in all, there are about 25,000 widows over the nation, and a lot of them don't

know they're affected," she said.

Two congressmen, Rep. Duncan Hunter, R-Calif., and Rep. Robert Badham, R-Calif., have introduced legislation to use Veterans Administration funds to restore the cuts.

"Our message is to get people to write their congressmen and insist that H.R. 5600 be supported to give these people their

benefits back," Taylor said.

She said the cost to the taxpayer is relatively cheap.

"It's about \$20 million a year, the cost of about one fighter aircraft," Taylor said. "And this program does self-destruct. All it does is cover people who died under that contract (with the government)."

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Representative Bill Presnal, with Bill Price of the TAMU Student Government, is presented a Resolution recognizing his support (left).

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Flowers to beautify right-of-way

United Press International
AUSTIN — The State Department of Highways and Public Transportation plans to spread the beauty of wildflowers nurtured by spring rains beyond Texas highways.

Maintenance crews have been instructed to harvest wildflower seeds in the areas where the flowers are plentiful, and redistribute them to highway rights-of-way where there are fewer flowers.

Director Mark Goode said Wednesday one way to harvest the seeds is to collect the "wildflower hay" after the flowers have been mowed, and spread the hay over a new site.

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