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Battalion Reporter Christmastime is a time for anta Claus and mistletoe and time for families to get ogether. And it's a time for preading goodwill and cheer. And this Christmas season, exas A&M students will have chance to spread holiday heer to servicemen stationed roughout the United States rough the Armed Forces Mail Call.

Sponsored by Keathley Hall residents, the program allows students to send Christhas cards and letters to sericemen who might not otherise receive them or who are elebrating Christmas away rom their families and

Cards will be sent only to servicemen in the United States because the deadline or submitting overseas cards

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has passed. The program, sponsored nationally by the United Ser-vice Organization, is not completely new to Texas A&M. Although this is the first year the program will operate University-wide, it was initiated last year as a dorm function by Keathley Hall.

Keathley residents col-lected and sent 33 cards and letters in 1981, said Karen Crotty, Keathley's program director and head of this year's Mail Call.

When a letter of thanks came from the USO director of the Armed Forces Mail Call for only 33 cards. Keathley residents realized how much servicemen appreciated and needed those few cards, Crotty said

Residents hope to collect at least 200 cards this year. Crotty feels the program is particularly suited to Texas

holidays

•Do not attach a stamp. •Drop the sealed letter — along with 20 cents for postwith the military through the Corps of Cadets. Furthermore, many college stu-dents can relate to the feelings of servicemen alone at the 'As college students, we

back if they wish.

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age and handling - into designated boxes at the Com-mons main desk or the secretaries' island in the Student Programs Office in the Memorial Student Center.

know what it's like to look in to

see an empty mailbox even on

man is without mail this holi-day season, Keathley resi-

dents are asking students to

contribute cards and letters

this week. Card collections be-

gin today and will end Friday. Students who want to parti-cipate should follow these

•Write a Christmas card or letter telling about them-selves, their hobbies, Texas

A&M and any of their other

address on the envelope. Be-

cause the letters will go to anonymous servicemen in all

branches of the military, an

address is not required. The

return address, however, will enable servicemen to write

•Include only a return

To help see that no service-

special days," Crotty said.

### Jail guard arrested for drugs

United Press International RICHMOND, Texas — De puties held a state prison guard Tuesday on charges arising from the attempted sale of 26

pounds of marijuana to undercover narcotics agents.

The Major Crimes Task Force of Fort Bend County arrested Herriberto Estrada, 29, a Jester II Unit farm guard, and his roommate Jose Munoz, 25, Monday night in a Rosenberg

shopping center parking lot. They were to have gone be-fore a justice of the peace for a bond hearing late Tuesday.

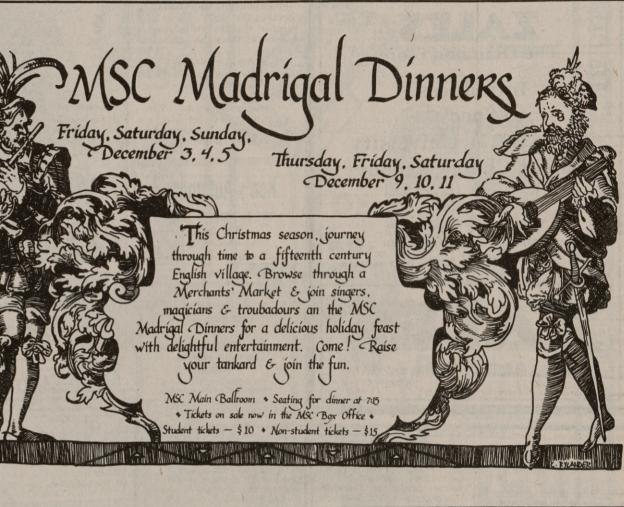
Authorities said the men were trying to sell marijuana worth about \$15,000. The arrests were made without incident and a loaded pistol was found in the suspects' car, agents said.

A Texas Department of Corrections spokesman said Estrada

had worked two years as a guard in the agricultural sector of Jes-ter II, which is between Richmond and Sugarland.

Agents said Estrada and Munoz carried drivers licenses with Harlingen addresses and had an apartment in Fort Bend County. The agents refused to say where the men lived. Jester Unit Warden Dave

Myers was informed of the arrest.



## Former diplomat to speak today

The former Polish ambassa-dor to Japan will discuss the Union after Brezhnev" at 3:30 today in Rudder Forum. Zdzislaw Ruraz, an expert in international economics and foreign trade, defected from Poland last year after the declaration of martial law and is now a

ambassador to Japan.

guest in the United States. Ruraz has served as an economic advisor to the Polish cabinet dom in Europe. and was ambassador to the Phi-

lippines before he served as to the public.

ctor of Texas A&M's Center for Strategic Technology - which is sponsoring Ruraz' appearance said the speech promises to be far-ranging in its scope. Thomas said Ruraz is concerned with both the political situation in

Dr. Richard Thomas, dire-

Europe and U.S. policies which could help the evolution of free-

The lecture is free and open



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