

Around town

Wine party ticket locations changed

The Friends of KAMU will host the group's third annual wine tasting party Thursday at the Aggieldand Inn in College Station.

The event will benefit Texas A&M's public television and radio stations and will feature more than 200 foreign and domestic wines, as well as cheeses, fruits and breads. Festivities are scheduled to begin at 7 p.m. with an explanation of how a wine tasting works. Participants will then have several hours to sample wines and record their observations.

As reported Monday, tickets for the wine tasting are \$10 each and are available at KAMU, Dillard's department store, the Aggieldand Inn and at the door. They are also available at Fish Richards, Hastings Records and Tapes, and Containers and More in Culppeper Plaza. Tickets are no longer available at Randy's Liquor.

Local wine expert Ira Held is coordinating the evening's beverages, with the help of Sharon Knutson and Lee Schink.

Trip to the Soviet Union planned

The Center for Education and Research in Free Enterprise at Texas A&M and the American Express Travel Service are sponsoring a spring trip to the Soviet Union in which participants will receive daily lectures on Soviet economics, politics and history.

Dr. Steve Pejovich, a native of Yugoslavia and director of the free enterprise center, will host the 10-day trip. Accompanying him will be Dr. Larry Wolken, assistant professor of economics at Texas A&M and associate director of the center.

The price for the March 25-April 3 trip is \$1,343 and those interested should contact Texas A&M's free enterprise center should phone 845-7722.

A \$200 deposit is required by Jan. 26 to confirm a reservation.

Kiwanis Club donates testing unit

The College Station Kiwanis Club recently donated a new driver testing unit to the Safety Education Program at Texas A&M University.

The program is conducted by the department of Industrial Education and is under the direction of Dr. Maurice E. Dennis.

The unit provides testing for depth perception, sharpness of vision, peripheral vision, simple and complex reactions and color determination.

It can be used to determine the effects of alcohol on a driver's reaction time and perception skills. It will also be helpful in testing the driving skills of senior citizens.

Crocker and Puryear plan party

Crocker and Puryear dorms are planning a "Start Me Up" party Saturday, Jan. 22 to get the spring semester off to a good start.

The party, which begins at 8 p.m. and will continue until 1 a.m., will be held at the Elks Lodge. All girls are invited and get in free.

TAMU folk dancers to host program

The TAMU International Folk Dancers are sponsoring a program called "Come Dance," Sunday from 8-10 p.m. in 201 MSC. Beginning dances will be taught to all those attending and refreshments will be served. The campus community is invited to attend.

Tickets on sale for Canadian Brass

The MSC Opera and Performing Arts Society will begin its concert series this semester with the Canadian Brass on Feb. 3 at 8 p.m. in Rudder Auditorium.

The Canadian Brass, called the "Marx Brothers of Brass" by the New York Times, is an internationally renowned quintet which has been heard in concerts across Canada and the U.S., as well as Europe, China, Japan, Saudi Arabia, and the Soviet Union. The group is composed of Frederic Mills and Ronald Romm on trumpet, Graeme Page on French horn, Eugene Watts on trombone, and Charles Daellenbach on tuba.

Tickets are available at the Rudder box office.

Library to fight video game junkies

The Bryan Public Library is sponsoring a "Read Aloud Workshop" on Thursday at 7 p.m. in the library's auditorium. The purpose of the workshop is to get children to read and fight the "battle of the video game."

The workshop will present a family read-aloud plan — how to start a program, what's involved and suggestions on book choices. There will also be a special showing of the Walt Disney film "Winnie the Pooh and Tigger, Too!" for children.

If you have an announcement or interesting item to submit for this column, come by The Battalion office in 216 Reed McDonald or call Tracey Taylor at 845-2611.

Now you know

United Press International
A half-inch-long crustacean called a caprellid amphipod does so much voluntary underwater housekeeping that a marine scientist thinks it might one day be used to keep boat bottoms free of debris.

The creature, which resembles a praying mantis, feeds on the organisms that encrust ocean plants and animals, like the barnacles that coat the backs of turtles.

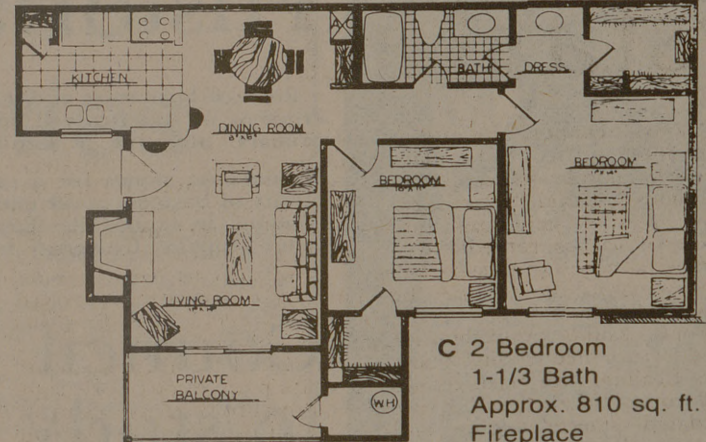
The crustaceans are not free-swimming but, while waiting for prey, latch onto algae and solid

surfaces. According to Edsel Caine, an associate professor at the University of South Carolina, the amphipod could perhaps be "seeded" on the bottom of boats as a cheap replacement for the \$150-a-gallon paint used to prevent overgrowth of barnacles and algae from ocean water.

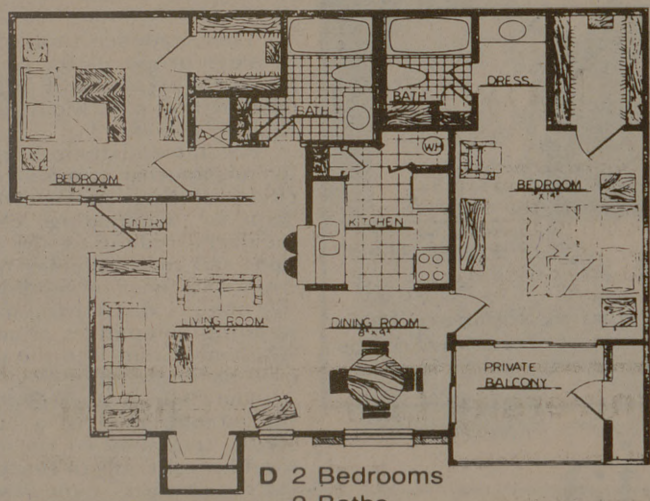
Since the caprellid amphipod is a prolific breeder — one female spawns 1,000 offspring in her eight month life — Caine suspects it also could become an ideal supplemental feed for aquaculture fish.

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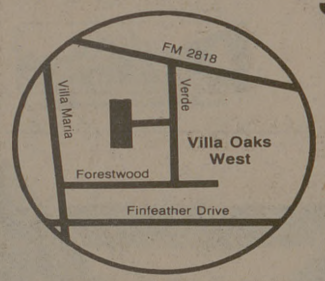
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Spring enrollment Te up from year ago

Spring enrollment has increased 6 percent from last spring with a total of 33,088 students registered this semester. However, official enrollment figures will not be available until Feb. 1.

Last fall the official enrollment was 36,127. Enrollment is usually less in the spring than in the fall because of December graduation, Donald Carter,

associate registrar of admissions and records, said.

William G. Dowling, director of planning and institutional analysis said the enrollment at Texas A&M University has been steadily increasing since 1972 and there are not any plans to control the growth rate.

"I think the feeling is that more students isn't necessarily better," Dowling said. "There is an optimum size considering

our land and resources. There has been discussion of a ceiling, but enrollment has been leveling off over the five years."

Dowling said he believes the individual colleges are needed to control growth because of the colleges of business engineering since that is most of the increase in place.

Lawyer predicts prayer despite court ruling

United Press International
LUBBOCK.—A civil liberties lawyer, who claims some children are hurt by prayer, predicted that prayer services will continue in city schools, despite Supreme Court action banning classroom use for religious activities.

The high court Monday rejected an appeal by the Lubbock school system from a ruling striking down its "equal access" policy. The policy allowed voluntary student religious groups the same right to use classrooms as non-religious groups.

"We can't monitor (the Lubbock school system). We don't have the personnel," said Lubbock Civil Liberties Union Lawyer Tom Griffith. "They will violate it (the ruling) somehow. They will persist. Some people are very strong about it (the issue)."

"A religion that can't hurt you means it can't help you either. We've had a number of children hurt by prayer."

Responding to a pledge by Sen. Mark Hatfield, R-Ore., to introduce a bill to permit Bible studies and prayer groups in classrooms during off-hours, Griffith said, "The ghost of Thomas Jefferson will rise up and smite Mark Hatfield."

"He's trying to convince the public on a high emotional issue to go against the Constitution," he said. "Seminary trained ordained ministers are on the side of the LCLU."

Griffith said "Hatfield or anybody" can read polls, and he suggested that they were merely catering to the majority, rather than pursuing what is right.

Tom Johnson, who represented the Lubbock Independent School District in the prayer case, said the court's refusal to hear the case left the legal issues involving school prayer "definitely still muddled."

"I'm disappointed," Johnson said. "The school board and school administration are disappointed. The court should

have taken the case and made a definitive decision. In things essentially they were."

However, Johnson's decision left no question of the illegality of using classrooms for religious services in districts within the 5th Circuit Court of Appeals. The Lubbock case is the law in the 5th Circuit. "The board will have to abide by the law," he said.

The Lubbock case was decided in 1979, when the LCLU challenged the district's practice of allowing Bible reading, prayers, teacher-led devotions and the distribution of prayer cards in the classrooms.

The school district continued most of the practices allowed students to meet in rooms for prayer sessions before and after classes.

A trial court's ruling of the school district's practices reversed by the court.

Inmate raped in Harris jail

United Press International
HOUSTON.—Six Harris County Jail inmates were charged with raping another inmate in a cell while threatening him with razor blades Sunday, officials said.

Sheriff Jack Heard said Monday the six men, aged 17 to 20, were charged with aggravated sexual abuse. The victim, 19, has been jailed since December for probation violation on an auto theft charge.

A large garbage bag was placed over the cell door to obstruct the guards' vision, Assistant District Attorney Gordon

Dees said. Since Christmas, there have been three other sexual cases in the county jail in the city jail.

"As long as you have streets or in schools, it's bound to happen," Heard said. "We have to try and prevent take immediate action if it does happen."

The cells are checked regularly and are equipped with way communication enabling prisoners to call guard, Capt. C.R. Gaiter.



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