



Serving others

Big Event

The Big Event, described as the biggest single service project ever undertaken in the history of the university, was held this weekend in Bryan-College Station.

The Big Event, which was sponsored by student government, began Sunday at 12:45 p.m. with a yell practice in Kyle Field. Before the day had ended, 4,000 to 6,000 students working individually or with student organizations had donated four hours of their time to help clean-up, repair or improve some part of the community.

Despite rainy afternoon weather, The Big Event carried on and went well, according to student government members.

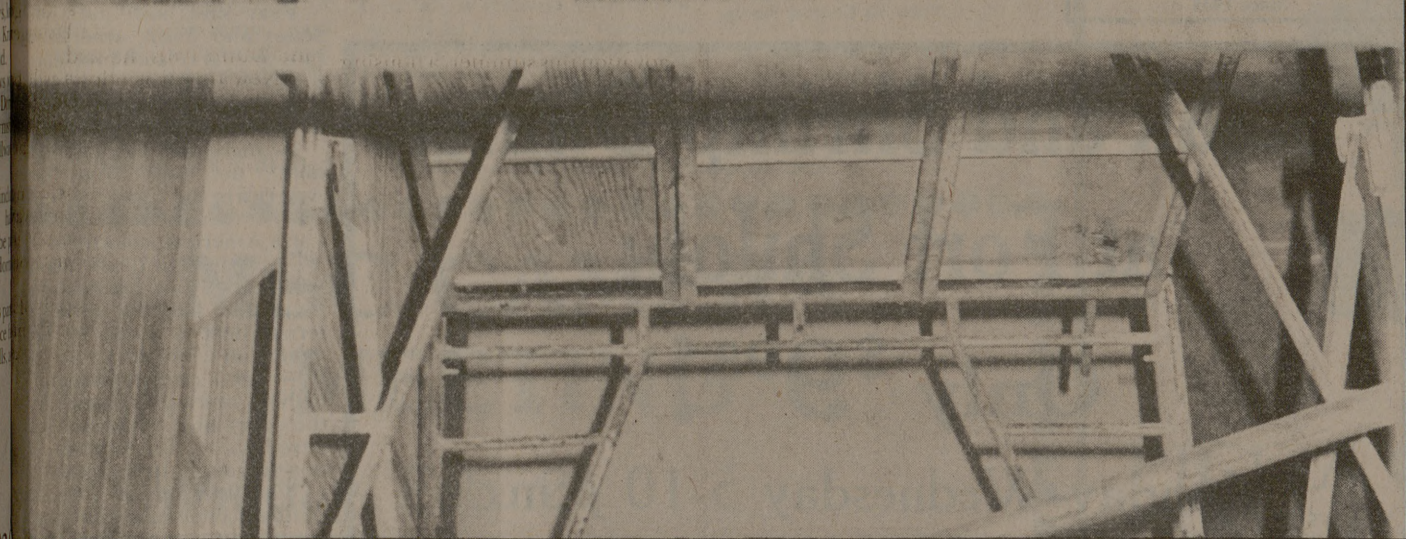
"Things went really well, particularly with the indoor work," student body president Pat Pearson said. "And we managed to get in about 2½ hours of outdoor work."

Pearson said that volunteers were signed up to finish the work next week that could not be completed Sunday.

Texas A&M students

participated in a wide variety of projects, including painting swimming pools and the Oakwood Middle School gymnasium, doing yard work for elderly homeowners, collecting canned goods for Twin Cities Mission, and clearing brush and debris from cemeteries and along roadsides of Bryan-College Station.

Other groups helped with erosion control projects at Bee Creek and sponsored talent shows for the Brazos County Geriatric Center.



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