

Group looking for new members

Several positions open in OCA

by **Brigid Brockman**
Battalion Staff

There are many opportunities for Texas A&M students to get involved in the largest student organization on campus, Kevin Goodwin, Off-Campus Aggies president, said Wednesday night.

Goodwin presided over the first OCA meeting of the fall semester and told of several openings in the organization for

interested off campus students. OCA is the recognized student group for the 26,000 Texas A&M students who live off campus.

Seven positions need to be filled by Sept. 14. Students who would like to be considered for the positions should get their applications in by Friday. They can be turned in at the Off-Campus Center or the OCA office in the Pavilion.

The open positions are: social secretary, recording secretary, director of public relations, director of funding, director of special projects, director of intramurals, director of external affairs.

The director of external affairs is a new position. The director will work to involve OCA in activities with other student organizations.

Other positions available are for apartment council presidents. These students will be mediators between their individual apartment complexes and the OCA. They will be responsible for letting the tenants of that complex know what OCA has been doing.

The positions will not be filled by interview. Instead there will be a general election held Sept. 21. Anyone living off campus must vote.

There are also five committees which need to be organized, and they are: the street dance

committee, bonfire committee, chili cook-off committee, parties committee and historian/scrapbook committee.

Another deadline to watch for is the sign-up deadline for intramural flag football, tennis singles and 16-inch softball on Sept. 15. Anyone who would like more information on OCA intramurals should go to 222 Pavilion.

The United Way Drive was also discussed at the meeting. The drive does not begin until October, but anyone interested

in helping with the drive should meet Sept. 12, in 501 Rudder Tower at 8 p.m. OCA is hoping to raise about \$6,000 for the United Way.

Goodwin said he hopes student involvement in OCA will be high this year. He also said that OCA is thinking about trying to arrange a carpool system, so that everyone who wants to attend meetings will be able to do so.

The next OCA meeting will be on Sept. 14, in 601 Rudder Tower at 6:30 p.m.

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RHA to sponsor "Adopt-a-Fish" service program

by **Pat Allen**
Battalion Reporter

The Residence Hall Association is sponsoring and coordinating an adoption service for off-campus freshmen.

Residence halls adopt the freshmen, who can then participate in the social, academic and recreational activities of the dorm.

"It would be my personal hope that all freshmen would have the opportunity to live on campus because there is so much tradition and friendships that they won't experience in an outside environment," RHA president Kelli Kiesling, says.

"The friendships and the chance to meet 200 to 400 more people — people who will come up to them and want to know who they are — is one of the benefits for the freshmen," she said. "The chances to go to all the social events like barn dances, mixers, ice cream socials and formals also help the freshmen meet new people. Rape preventions and study skills programs are also offered to the freshmen."

Kiesling said RHA coordinates the program for freshmen only, but several residence halls

adopt transfer students. Some halls adopt students who were freshmen last year and did not get on campus again this year.

The only restriction for the freshmen is that they cannot participate on an RHA committee.

"We restrict that strictly to the residents," Kiesling said. "The reason for this is because the RHA has an overflow of students in the dorms wanting to participate on the committees."

Freshmen pay an activity fee to finance programs and can join the service any time during the year. A pro-rated fee will be accessed for freshmen joining at mid-semester.

"To get in the program, freshmen can go to the RHA office in 215 Pavilion and leave a phone number where they can be reached, or the Off-Campus Center will take names and numbers, or contact the hall president of their choice," Kiesling said. "So far we've had a tremendous response. We signed up over 300 freshmen at Open House and I would hope to have around 600 to 700 adopted fish this year."

The Adopt a Fish program was initiated in 1982.

Port Arthur, began burning shortly before 3 a.m. CDT and the blaze was extinguished at 5:22 a.m.

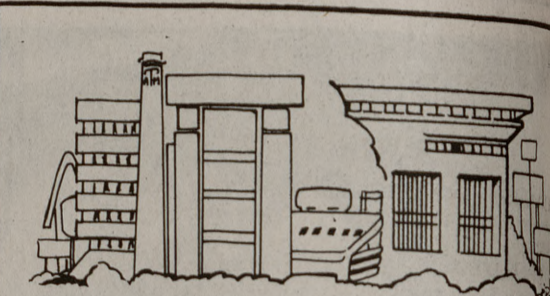
The Coast Guard issued a radio order to all vessels in the Houston Ship Channel to travel slowly to minimize the chance that wakes might disturb the firefighting effort, he said. The Guard also posted a boat in the channel to enforce the order.

The Houston Fire Department dispatched three pumps, a ladder truck, a rescue vehicle and one ambulance to the Newpark Shipyards, said spokesman Kenneth Robinett.

Port authorities sent two fire boats to battle the blaze.

The annual PCPA day is sponsored by the National Agricultural Marketing Association, the Career Planning and Placement Center, and the College of Agriculture.

For more information, call John Gudelman at 845-5139.



Around town

PCPA barbeque tickets now on sale

Tickets for a barbeque held on the Professional Career Planning in Agriculture day, Sept. 14, are on sale through Sept. 12. Students may choose to sit with representatives of the more than 40 agricultural companies participating in PCPA day. Tickets cost \$4, and can be bought in the Kleberg Animal and Food Science Center, the main hallway of the Memorial Student Center, and the Agriculture Building. The barbeque will be held at 6:30 p.m. in the Brazos Center on Briarcrest Drive.

A career fair featuring the participating companies will be held on the second floor of the MSC from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. for juniors, seniors and graduate students, and from 1:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. for any interested students. The fair is free and open to anyone interested.

The Sterling C. Evans Library will offer free tours Sept. 12-16. The tours last about 45 minutes and provide information about materials and services available in the library.

Tour times and sign up sheets are posted close to the reference desk on the first floor of the library. For more information, contact Joe Jaros at 845-5741.

Hobby Hall to sponsor dance Friday

Hobby Hall will sponsor a dance at the Texas Hall of Fame, Friday, Sept. 9. It will begin at 8 p.m., and everyone is welcome.

Library to offer tours next week

The Class of '85 will hold a "Playday" Saturday, Sept. 10, at the Royal Oaks Racquet Club on Carter Creek Parkway. For a \$2 fee paid at the door, participants can swim, play tennis, racquetball, or basketball. Activities begin at noon. Everyone should bring his own picnic lunch; drinks will be provided. Proceeds will go toward funding the class gift, to be presented in 1985.

Waterski Club sponsors tournament

The Texas A&M Waterski Club sponsored a Fall Five Event Waterski Tournament, Sept. 3 and 4. Fourteen universities and more than 100 skiers from Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Louisiana — including the Texas A&M Waterski team — participated in the tournament, which was held at Aqua Gardens, between Centerville and Buffalo.

Winning first place overall was Northeast Louisiana University, with Texas A&M second. Texas A&M took first place in the overall barefoot skiing competition.

Library receives art book collection

The Sterling C. Evans Library has acquired the contemporary art book collection of Henry Seldis, a noted lecturer and art critic. Seldis was art critic for the Los Angeles Times from 1958 until his death in 1978. He also served as director of many art exhibits. His collection consists of more than 4000 rare exhibition and museum catalogs and 1500 monographs.

To submit an item for this column, come by The Battalion office in 216 Reed McDonald.

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Acacia Fraternity

is having an informational meeting on membership recruitment tonight at 7:00 p.m. at the College Station Holiday Inn.

If you are interested in a fraternity that stresses scholarship and leadership but also includes social activities, athletics, and terrific friendships, then you should not pass up this opportunity. Make plans now to attend tonight's meeting and ask your friends to join you.

For more info about the meeting or Acacia Fraternity Call Price Mounger at 693-1736 Room 513

Bodies of crew members found

United Press International
HOUSTON — Rescue workers found the bodies of two crew members early Wednesday on board an offshore supply boat which burned for several hours before firefighters on boats and trucks extinguished the blaze.

Officer Brian Binney said one of the bodies was discovered in the wheelhouse of the Mid-night Alaska, which was in a dry dock at the Newpark Ship Yards, and the other body was found in a berthing area of the boat.

Identities of the two victims were not available.

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