

What's up

WEDNESDAY

A&M CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP: A refreshing mid-week break of singing, Bible-study and fellowship will be held at 7:30 p.m. in 103 Zachry. For more information, call Mike Garrett at 846-6294.

CATHOLIC STUDENT ASSOCIATION: There will be a Bible study at 6 p.m. in St. Mary's Student Center. Fr. Leon will discuss the great stories of the Old Testament. Everyone is invited.

AGGIE RED CROSS: A CPR certification class will be held from 6-9:45 p.m. in the Beutel Health Center Cafeteria. The class costs \$5 per person and registration will be held at the door.

ALPHA PHI OMEGA: Pledge initiation and registration will be held at 7 p.m. in 201 MSC. Dress is semi-formal. Contact Jim Hammond at 764-2162 for more information.

CAP AND GOWN: A regular meeting will be held at 7 p.m. in 510 Rudder Tower. A meeting for the Honor Society applicants will be Thursday at 6 p.m. in 410 Rudder Tower. Applications for "Preferred Prof" will be discussed and voted on. Contact Lauren Specht at 260-0018 for more information.

CAREER FAIR '84: Students can meet with recruiters from over 60 companies from 8:15 a.m. to noon and from 1:30 to 4 p.m. The fair will continue through Thursday on the first floor of the Blocker Building. For more information, call the BSC office at 845-1320.

CLASS OF '86: The Class of '86 Ball will be held Friday night from 8 p.m. to midnight in the MSC Ballroom. Tickets are on sale through Friday in the MSC Hallway for \$12.50 a couple. For more information, call Matt McKay at 260-1765.

GERMAN CLUB: A "STAMMTISH" meeting will be held at Mr. Gatti's in Skaggs Center at 5:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. Call Beatrice Souroujon at 693-6792 for more information.

LAMBDA SIGMA: A meeting will be held at 7 p.m. in 504 Rudder Tower. For more information, call Bill Bullock.

MSC AGGIE CINEMA: "Kramer vs. Kramer" will be shown at 7:30 p.m. in Rudder Theatre.

MSC BASEMENT: Voltage Brothers tickets are available through Thursday in the MSC Hallway from 10-2 p.m.

MSC GREAT ISSUES AND MSC POLITICAL FORUM: James Watt will speak on "The Raging Controversy: Preservation vs. Development" at 8 p.m. in Rudder Auditorium. A public reception will follow. Admission is 50¢ for students and \$1 for non-students. Contact Kara Kirkpatrick at 260-5807 for more information.

MATH CLUB: A meeting to discuss plans for the All-Nite Fair will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the Milner third floor lounge. Call David Crane at 764-9533 or Marcy Miller at 260-5756 for more information.

METHODIST STUDENT MOVEMENT: A noon lunch and Bible study will be held in the A&M Wesley Foundation behind Pizza Hut. Bring lunch or \$1 for sandwiches. Another lunch and Bible study will be conducted Thursday at 12:30 p.m. Call Mark Mace at 846-3214 for more information.

OFF CAMPUS AGGIES: The first spring meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. in 601 Rudder Tower. (Pizza at Pasta's afterwards) Contact Stacey Roberts at 693-0115 or 845-0688 for more information.

PHI ETA SIGMA NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY: National Scholarship deadline for graduating Phi Eta Sigma seniors is Feb. 23. See Dr. Curtis Lard in 113 Systems Building for details.

Innocent Angel?

Dallas Guardian Angels say member's arrest is harassment

United Press International

DALLAS — An 18-year-old Guardian Angel sits in the Dallas County jail, charged in a \$3 robbery that group leaders say he did not commit and one they say police are using in an attempt to discredit the Angels.

Floyd Aaron was arrested Nov. 11, 1983, on a city bus. Police say he robbed a city employee three nights earlier after she got off that same bus. They say he followed her from the bus stop, put a knife to her back, ordered her to drop her purse and ran off with it.

The purse contained \$3.

Aaron, who has been in jail since his arrest, says he is innocent. It is a claim echoed by Angel leaders in both Dallas and New York, where the group of crime fighters was organized in 1979.

"There's no way he could have been at the bus stop," said Dallas chapter leader Ron Hartman. "I know he didn't commit the crime."

"This lady is being pushed into convicting a guy who didn't

do it," Hartman said. "The city of Dallas is pushing. There's nothing they'd like more than to get a Guardian Angel."

The Angels are not on good terms with the city or its police department. Hartman said Police Chief Billy Prince has refused repeated invitations to meet with Angel leaders.

"He says he don't think the Angels can do anything to help," Hartman said.

Prince refused to comment on the Angels or on the Aaron case.

"We don't have an attitude about them," said department spokesman Bill David.

But Angel co-founder Curtis Sliwa said that is a whitewash, that Dallas police see the Angels as a threat and are trying to discredit them through Aaron's robbery case.

"No one in the criminal justice system is willing to recognize that this is an innocent man," Sliwa said. Aaron "is being squeezed. He's a pawn. I think the community, the police, for want of something better, aren't going to let him off."

"It's no secret that there has been a strong dislike among the top leaders of the Dallas police department of the Guardian Angels," said Lisa Sliwa, Sliwa's wife and co-founder of the Angels.

The Angels have had problems with other police departments.

"In the course of our history here in New York City, we've had more than 200 arrests," Ms. Sliwa said. "Those were things mainly the result of police harassment. I was arrested myself for trespassing on a subway car, but there were no fines. We were innocent, and they always ended up dropping the charges."

Sliwa said New York transit police literally started a donnybrook to set up arrests they hoped would embarrass the Angels.

Despite those arrests, Sliwa said Aaron is the first Angel to be arrested and indicted on a felony charge.

Friction between police and Angels reached a fever pitch in Newark, N.J., in late December 1981 when a police officer shot

and killed an Angel, Frank Melvin.

"They had heard reports of a break-in," Ms. Sliwa said. "As they were walking down the street, Frank was in the lead of a line of nine Angels."

A police officer yelled for Frank to identify himself. The officer had his gun drawn.

"Frank put his hands in the air and said, 'I'm Frank Melvin of the Dayton Patrol,'" Ms. Sliwa said. "After that, the officer went down into a horse stance and fired once, striking him in the chest."

Melvin was dead on a local hospital.

Aaron's arrest is another of harassment, the Sliwas tend.

"This is another case of Dallas police harassing a member of the black community in this case happens to be a Guardian Angel," Ms. Sliwa said. "There's a pattern of justice there, and there's a pattern of harassment."

Although Aaron does blame Dallas police for his arrest ("I feel it was a misjudgment on the lady's part"), he is innocent and has an attorney.

Pennzoil official says merger would hurt smaller companies

United Press International

TULSA, OKLA. — Federal restrictions on the nation's largest oil companies would destroy bidding partnerships between smaller companies and Getty Oil Co. if Texaco acquires Getty, a Pennzoil official testified Tuesday.

Pennzoil Exploration and Production Co. exploration senior vice president David S. Holland said federal regulations prevent five oil companies — Exxon, Mobil, Texaco, Standard of Calif. (Chevron) and Shell — from bidding together on offshore U.S. leases.

Holland was the second witness called by Pennzoil before U.S. district Judge James Ellison in its effort to halt the \$10.1 billion merger, the largest such acquisition in U.S. corporate history.

Pennzoil has asked the federal court to issue a temporary injunction, alleging the merger

would violate antitrust laws and damage the oil industry.

Pennzoil also has filed a breach of contract suit against Getty in Delaware, claiming Getty agreed to a stock purchase proposal by Pennzoil, then approved the Texaco offer.

Holland said if Getty became part of Texaco, "We would not be able to continue to bid as that group."

Areas of mutual interest — specifically the St. George Basin off Alaska's coast — already decided on by Pennzoil, Getty, Chevron and other smaller companies, would be invalidated should the merger go through because Getty would become Texaco and could not legally bid with Chevron, Holland said.

Under cross-examination by Texaco attorney David G. Wetter, Holland said bidding partners were not required to bid on any mutual interest tracts and Getty would not be obligated to bid with Pennzoil even if Texaco did not merge with Getty.

"You cannot force any company to bid when they do not wish to," he said.

However, Holland said, "There is no assumption Getty would not" bid with the group if Texaco were not involved.

Holland also testified Tuesday the merger could "close the door" on other oil companies that rely on Getty and Texaco's research expertise in offshore bidding.

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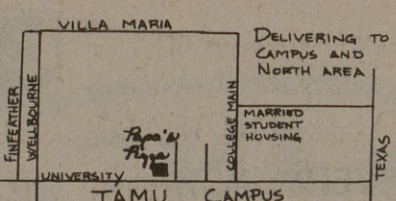
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