

Campus race

Run to promote health and fine arts

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Reporter

The second annual Run for the Arts will be held Saturday, March 3, when two races sponsored by the MSC Opera and Performing Arts Society and the TAMU Roadrunners will be held on the Texas A&M campus to promote the programs of the two groups.

"The purpose is basically to promote health and the fine arts," said Linda Hartman, coordinator of Run for the Arts. "It is also to kick off OPAS season ticket sales." OPAS, which sponsors music, dance and other fine arts events on the Texas A&M campus, and the TAMU Roadrunners, a student running club, sponsored the first Run for the Arts last year, Hartman said.

She said the idea of a race to earn publicity for the clubs originated with last year's OPAS chairman, Michael Dewey. A race was chosen to generate publicity because there are many runners in

the Bryan-College Station area. "There are supposed to be over 800 runners in the area," Hartman said. "We (OPAS) started working with the Roadrunners because they want people to know they're here, just like we do."

About 270 people ran in the races last year, and the clubs are planning on 350 participants this year.

One race is 10 kilometers long, the other five kilometers. Both will begin and end in front of G. Rollie White Coliseum. Neither race course leaves the Texas A&M campus.

"The great thing about the races is that they're here on campus, readily available to students," Hartman said.

The races are divided into six divisions for men, and five divisions for women. Divisions are based on age.

Trophies will be awarded to the first place man and woman in each race. First place runners in each age group also will be awarded

trophies. Medallions will be awarded to the second and third place runners in each division.

Contestants may register for the races today through March 2, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. in the main hall of the Memorial Student Center. The entry fee is \$6. Contestants may register the day of the races from 7 a.m. until 8:15 a.m. in front of the coliseum, but the entry fee increases to \$8.

"Every contestant receives a T-shirt with our logo on the front and a list of sponsors on the back," Hartman said. "We hope to get publicity from all the people wearing the shirts. The entry fee is mainly to cover the cost of printing the T-shirts."

Several area merchants have contributed prizes for a drawing to be held after the races. Participation in the drawings will not be limited to contestants of the races. Hartman said there is no registration fee for the drawings.

"This is not a money-making project," Hartman said.

Prince's girlfriend allegedly photographed in the nude

United Press International

LONDON — Alleged nude pictures of Prince Andrew's new girlfriend Katie Rabett appeared on the front page of a British newspaper Sunday, drawing heated denials from the woman and her friends that the shots were real.

"I can categorically say that those two nude photos are fakes," the Daily Express quoted the blond, blue-eyed model as saying. "I have never posed in the nude, either professionally or for friends. Possibly some friends have taken topless photos of me on holiday."

But the News of the World newspaper, insisting "Prince Andrew's latest girlfriend, Katie Rabett, is no shrinking violet," said the two nude pictures it printed of the 23-year-old fashion model were authentic.

"This is Prince Andrew's lovely model girlfriend ... as you've never seen her before," it said of the large front-page and third-page pictures.

The paper said the two black-and-white shots were from a set of 94 color poses taken by a professional photographer two years ago.

Britain's tabloid press introduced Rabett to the country last week, splashing their front pages with photographs of the model they said the prince, third in line to the British throne, was "deeply infatuated" with.

Rabett was said to be the 24-year-old prince's first steady girlfriend since his breakup with American soft-porn film

actress Koo Stark several months ago.

The Sunday People quoted Rabett's ex-boyfriend as saying that the model always refused to pose in the nude.

"She has a fabulous body and she's rightly proud of it," the paper quoted dancer and male model Alan Curry as saying.

"She had plenty of offers to pose nude and also to take part in films when she would have been required to reveal all but she always refused," he said.

But the paper also quoted Curry as saying that he and Katie lived together in London for 2 1/2 years — something royal family watchers said the palace would certainly disapprove of.

"I still love Katie and if An-

drew breaks off their friendship I will try very hard to win her back," Curry, 32, was quoted as saying.

Katie's father was quoted by the Sunday People as saying "he was disgusted that nude pictures of his daughter had been sold for publication.

"The amount of money involved could support a geriatric or feed a family for years," the paper quoted Dr. Robert Rabett as saying.

Despite the flurry of reports, The Daily Mail doubted Katie and Andrew were a serious couple.

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House debates REA funding

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WASHINGTON — Legislation to make the Rural Electrification Administration's revolving fund self-sufficient is tentatively scheduled for House debate this week while the Senate may discuss school prayer.

Both houses also may take a look at the Export Administration Act.

The REA legislation is of great interest to the region because of the number of REA cooperatives in the area. The REA serves 25 million customers in 46 states.

The legislation tentatively scheduled for debate at midweek is being pushed by the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association, which wants to restore the multi-billion-dollar revolving fund by having co-ops pay \$7.9 billion in outstanding loans directly to the REA instead of the Treasury.

The Reagan administration, meanwhile, wants to refinance the fund — which provides low-interest loans to consumer-owned cooperatives for building power facilities by reducing the number of REA loans, raising interest rates and forcing the more than 1,000 cooperatives to get more financing from the private sector.

The co-ops say the administration proposal will weaken the cooperatives and send rates sky-high. REA administration Harold Hunter thinks the self-sufficiency act a "\$7.9 billion bailout" for the co-ops.

Also this week, members of a House oversight subcommittee

will try to find out why the Commodity Credit Corporation is still to rent empty elevator space — and at an annual rate of \$39.4 million.

The Thursday hearing on the Agriculture Department's

Guaranteed Storage Program will be chaired by Rep. Glenn English, D-Okla., who has asked Commodity Credit Corp. officials Everett Rank and Merrill Marxman to return to answer more questions about the program.

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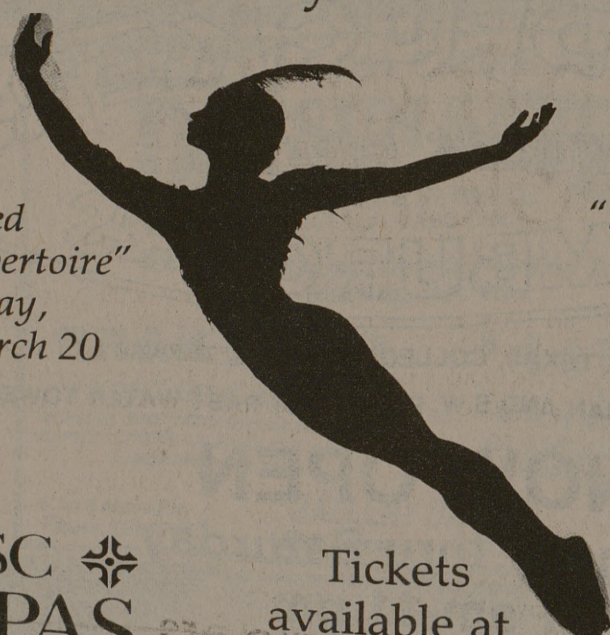
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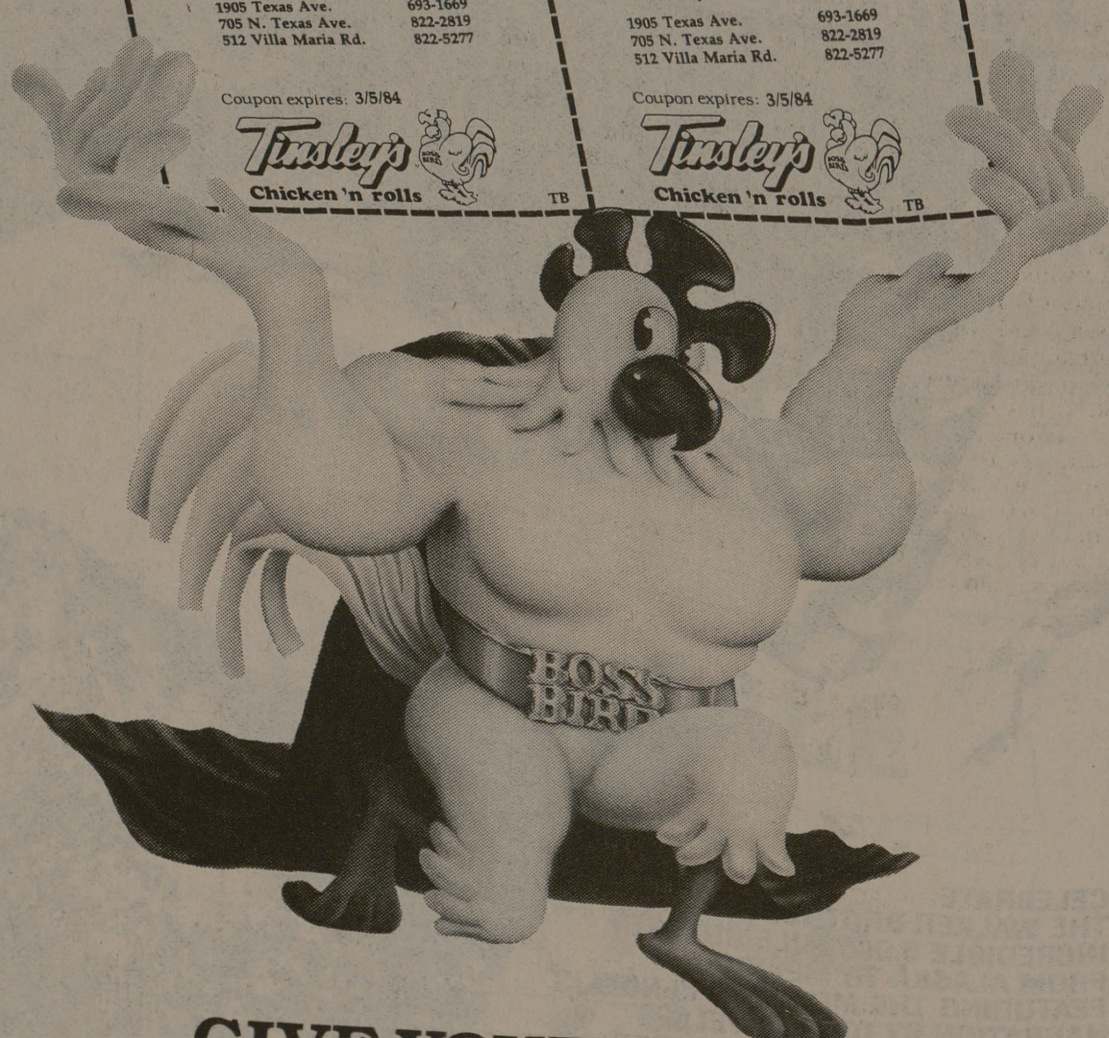


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