

Around town

Quartet places fourth in nationals

The Close Shave, a barber shop quartet of Texas A&M students, placed fourth in the National Finals of the American Collegiate Talent Showcase April 14 in Las Cruces, NM. The group also placed first in the Region 4 competition which includes all colleges in Texas and Oklahoma. Quartet members include Wally Harwood, baritone; Steve Ard, bass; Rick Huff, lead; and Rick Thurman, tenor.

Chairmen applications available

Class of '85 chairman applications are available in 216 MSC. Class officers will be interviewing those interested for the Ring Dance, class gift, senior banquet, sales, executive aids and public relations committees chairmen. For more information, contact Anne-Marie Dixon, 260-0710.

Museum to host baby animal day

The Brazos Valley Museum will host a Baby Animal Day Petting Zoo Sunday from 2 to 4 p.m. Admission is \$3 per family for non-members.

Chemical executive to visit class

Allen Bennett, chief executive officer and chairman of the board of Helena Chemicals will speak to the Management 481 class Friday at 10 a.m. in 165 Blocker. Helena Chemicals is a subsidiary of the Bayer Corporation, market fertilizers, insecticides and other chemical products. Bennett will discuss the development of the Helena corporation. The public is invited.

Casino Night pictures available

Photos taken during Casino Night can be ordered until April 25 at the Residence Hall Association office in 215 Pavilion. Cost for a 4 by 6 inch picture is \$1.75.

Candidate debate turns into Parmer press conference

By MELINDA HANSEN
Reporter

What should have been a debate between 6th Congressional district candidates Dan Kubiak and Hugh Parmer turned out to be a small press conference for Parmer Thursday. Kubiak refused the invitation. The idea was for both candidates to have five questions to ask the other about various issues during their campaigns. When Kubiak did not arrive for the "high noon" showdown at the Brazos County Courthouse, Parmer used the time to present the questions he had prepared. Parmer's main point in his

questioning concerned the reasons Kubiak was against certain issues, and then did not show up to cast his vote on the required date.

"Kubiak is reluctant to go before the public to debate the issues," Parmer said. A spokesman for Kubiak said the candidate spends most of his time out meeting the people face to face, rather than participating in last-minute debates.

A representative for candidate Joe Barton said that Barton would attend the debate if Kubiak did not want to accept the invitation. However, Barton was in Conroe addressing the Montgomery County Bar Association and did not get back in time for the noon meeting.

Cameras to monitor U.S-Mexican border

United Press International

EL PASO — Agents of the U.S. Border Patrol — monitoring 11 television cameras aimed at Mexico — will begin a drive next week to catch professional alien smugglers, officials said Thursday.

Larry Richardson, chief Border Patrol agent for the El Paso sector, said the cameras are in place on high poles along a nine-mile stretch of the border between El Paso and Juarez, Mexico.

The cameras will help the border patrol catch the real smugglers, Richardson said, referring to the professionals who charge exorbitant fees to transport Mexican and Central

American aliens into the interior of the United States. The smugglers are referred to on both sides of the border as "coyotes."

Richardson said his men waste a lot of time running around the border because they can not see who is trying to cross. The television system, built at a cost of \$500,000 is viewed as a saving of time and money. The cameras will be monitored in an office at one of the international bridges, he said.

"We've been wasting a lot of time and resources in a Keystone Cops chase situation and only getting maids and kids and glue sniffers," Richardson said. "We can't see who is really

crossing into the United States."

The cameras will begin sending pictures back to the monitoring room where an agent will try to determine where the large-scale smugglers and aliens are trying to cross into the United States, he said.

El Paso will be the first Border Patrol sector to be testing low light level television, Richardson said.

"Our primary interest is apprehending those aliens whose destination is the interior of the

United States and the people who are paid good old U.S. dollars to take them there — the smugglers," he said.

By this type of monitoring, Border Patrol officials can send its agents to the areas used by smugglers and those aliens bound for the interior of the United States, Richardson said.

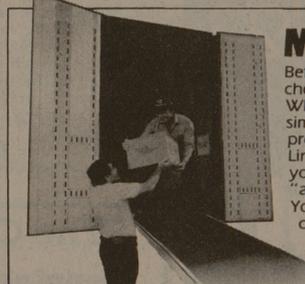
"This is not a '1984, Big Brother is watching' situation. There will be no invasion of privacy because of the installation of the monitors," Richardson

said. "It will be the same as if we put an officer in the same position."

Personnel will be tested on the equipment next week, Richardson said. RCA is the contractor for the placing of the 11 cameras.

"We don't know how much money will be saved by the installation of the monitoring system," Richardson said. "But if it works, it will be well worth the half million dollars."

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"Ooooooooooooooooooooooh!"

"And don't sign up with Kinkley for Psych. Any guy who wears a Tinkerbell Costume to class is in Big Trouble!"

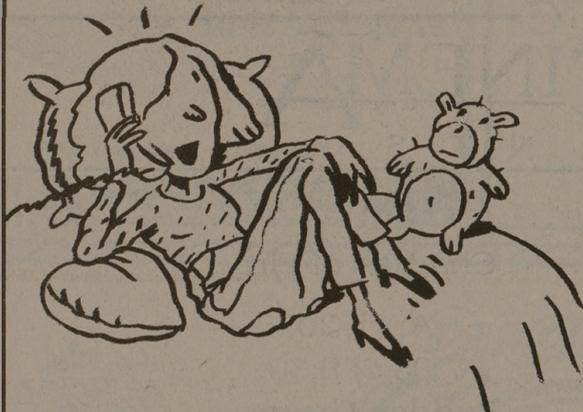
"No Kidding!"

"And don't get old Snuffmeyer. About every three minutes, she sticks her hand in her blouse, fishes up this ratty old handkerchief, gives you a big honk, then stuffs it back down again!"

"Gross me out!"

"And she even gives pop quizzes!"

"Eeeeeeeeeeyoooooooooo!"



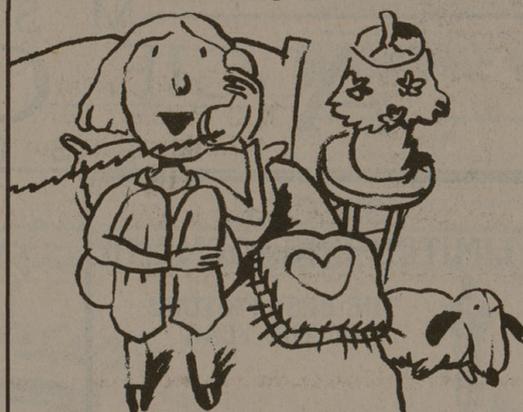
"Hello?"

"Ooooooooooooooooooooooh!"

"No Kidding!"

"Gross me out!"

"Eeeeeeeeeeyoooooooooo!"



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