

Around town

Driver safety course begins Friday

The TAMU After Hours Program will sponsor a **Driver Safety Course** on Friday and Saturday. This course may be used to have certain traffic violations dismissed and to receive a 10 percent discount on automobile insurance. Registration is held from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday in 219 MSC. For more information, call 845-9352.

Driver education services available

Students who need to take a **Defensive Driving Course** will have an opportunity to complete the course today and tomorrow from 6 to 10 p.m. The course satisfies the legal requirements for persons with traffic tickets. These persons have the option of taking the class or paying their fine. It also entitles one to a three year insurance discount. The course fee is \$20.00 and students may pre-register or sign up at the door between 5 and 6 p.m. today.

The course will be held at 1806 Welsh St. in Collge Station. Call 693-0086 for reservations.

English 660 offered 2nd summer session

English 660-Technical Writing for Publications will be offered during the second summer session. The course, which had been scheduled for the first summer session and was cancelled because of low enrollment, was rescheduled after a number of students expressed an interest in taking the class. English 660, taught by Dr. Guinn, will meet Monday through Friday from 12 to 1:30 p.m. in 201 Milner.

Register for Schulenburg Fun Run now

The Schulenburg High School Athletic Department is sponsoring a **Fun Run** on August 4, in conjunction with the Schulenburg Festival. The **Fun Run** is a 10 kilometer course over paved and unpaved roads in the rolling hills near Schulenburg. Each entry will receive a T-shirt. Trophies will be given for the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place finishers in each division. For additional information write to Schulenburg Fun Run, c/o Clay Gillis, 517 North St., Schulenburg, Texas, 78956.

Settlement benefits needy children

Judges settle out of court

United Press International

HOUSTON — A group of 19 judges who claimed they were improperly bumped from a Southwest Airlines flight has reached an out of court settlement with the airline to the benefit of needy patients at Texas Children's Hospital, court records showed Tuesday.

In an agreement reached in federal court Monday, the judges agreed to drop their lawsuit against the airline if Southwest agreed to provide 600 airline tickets to needy patients who cannot afford to fly to

Texas Children's Hospital for treatment.

The agreement settled a lawsuit filed three years ago by a group of 19 judges who arrived home nearly five hours late because of a layover at a Dallas airport on Sept. 19, 1980.

The lawsuit claimed the judges were flying as a group from Amarillo to Houston, via Dallas. They were delayed because they did not catch the right flight in Dallas, the lawsuit said.

Attorney Robert Wallis, who represented the airline, said the plane

carrying the judges from Amarillo to Dallas had engine trouble and was late getting started. By the time the group arrived in Dallas, its flight to Houston had departed.

The judges claimed they were improperly bumped from their flight and delayed unnecessarily.

Attorney Eugene Cook, who represented the judges' group, said the judges never intended to benefit personally from the suit. The only controversy, he said, was over which charity would get the benefits.

Police beat Attorney General files suit against FTC

The following incidents were reported to the University Police Department through Tuesday.

MISDEMEANOR THEFT:

- An electronic game/clock combination was stolen from a man's desk in 118 Engineering.
- A camera bag was stolen from a student's motorcycle in Parking Annex 46. The bag contained his checkbook, keys, a T-shirt and 15 computer discs.

FELONY THEFT:

- An Ainsworth top loading digital balance was stolen from 321 Herman Heep.

United Press International

AUSTIN — Texas Attorney General Jim Mattox filed suit Tuesday to force the Federal Trade Commission to provide the state with information about the proposed merger between Standard Oil Co. of California and Gulf Oil Corp.

Mattox said his investigation of the possible competitive effects of the merger on commerce in Texas has been hampered by the FTC's refusal last May 2 to provide the state

access to federal information about the merger.

"The state of Texas has limited resources to investigate the aspects of this huge merger," he said. "The FTC has about 70 persons who have been analyzing the acquisition, and their analysis of the merger would be most beneficial to Texas and other states."

The FTC has tentatively accepted the terms of the merger between So-cal and Gulf.

License plate fee hike expected

United Press International

EL PASO — County tax offices were deluged Tuesday by people trying to get their license plates renewed before the state hikes the fees.

Part of the Legislature's special tax package to fund the education reform bill includes an increase in vehicle registration fees.

The new prices will take effect when Gov. Mark White signs the tax bill into law. State officials are predicting that will happen around Aug. 12, although no one is certain.

The three branch offices of the City-County Tax Office and the main office all had long lines that stretched around the building, said

"If you're paying \$33.80 for a car and it's a 1977 (model), the price will drop to \$28.30."

Flora Lopez, director of the county's auto department.

She said the tax hike should not affect anyone who needs to renew his plates in July. The hike does apply to people who renew their plates in August.

Lopez said the state held up sending out the August notices to adjust the prices on the notices. She said

that anyone who knows they must renew their plates in August can do so without the renewal notice.

The new law bases registration fees on a vehicle's age instead of its weight.

Some people may be better off waiting until the new rates take effect, Lopez said.

"If you're paying \$33.80 for a car and it's a 1977 (model)," she said, "the price will drop to \$28.30."

The new price structure will cost owners of a car made in 1978 or earlier \$28.30 to register. For cars built in 1979, 1980 and 1981, the new fee will be \$38.30. All models built in 1982 or later will cost \$46.30 to register.

Smuggler denied new trial

United Press International

NEW ORLEANS — Convicted drug smuggler Jimmy Chagra is not entitled to a new trial just because witnesses may have identified him with the wrong man in a photograph, the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled.

Witnesses at Chagra's 1979 trial in Austin, Texas, said the man was Robert Piccolo, described as an "important underling" in Chagra's drug smuggling operation. On appeal, Chagra said the man was not Piccolo and prosecutors knew it.

In court records Tuesday, the 5th Circuit said it didn't matter whether the man in the picture was Piccolo. Other evidence, including wiretaps, linked Chagra to Piccolo, the court said, and the picture was not crucial to the case.

"That doesn't surprise me," said former prosecutor Ronald Guyer, now a San Antonio defense attorney. "I'm sure it (the Piccolo picture) was a harmless error. The evidence in the case was overwhelming."

Chagra also said U.S. District Judge William Sessions of San Antonio should have conducted a hearing about the picture before he denied Chagra a new trial. But the appeals court also said it was up to Sessions whether a hearing was needed.

Chagra is serving 47 years in prison for smuggling cocaine and marijuana, operating a continuing criminal enterprise, income tax evasion and obstructing justice in the 1979 slaying of U.S. district Judge John H. Wood of San Antonio.

Chagra was acquitted last year on charges he hired hit man Charles Harrelson to kill Wood.



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