

Around town

Casino Pictures can be picked up now

People who ordered pictures from last spring's **Casino Night** can pick them up now. Students who lived on-campus last semester should contact their dorm president or RHA delegate. Students who lived off-campus, come by the RHA office, 215 Pavilion.

Big Event job requests being accepted

Job requests are now being accepted from the Bryan-College Station community for projects for the **Big Event**, a four-hour service project. Student organizations wishing to volunteer their group are encouraged to pledge. Deadlines for both job requests and organization pledges are Nov. 1. Contact Mark Maniha at 696-5930.

Motloch to speak at energy conference

The Nebraska Energy Office has issued invitations to participate in a national colloquium on "Community Energy Management as an Economic Development Strategy" to more than 40 accomplished scholars and policymakers throughout the country. **John L. Motloch** of Texas A&M has been included in the program to share his knowledge of energy-conscious architecture. His paper, entitled "Coincidences Between Italian Baroque Architecture and Climate Conditions" will discuss the historical impact of climate conditions on architecture and future trends in architectural design.

Lack of hospices concerns senators

United Press International

WASHINGTON — The administration is dragging its feet on a program to provide Medicare coverage for hospice services, two senators said Tuesday in a bipartisan letter to Health and Human Services Secretary Margaret Heckler.

Sens. Lloyd Bentsen, D-Texas, and William Roth, R-Del., said they were concerned because their understanding is only 108 hospices were certified in the first eight months of the program and 20 states still have no Medicare-certified hospice to provide care to the terminally ill.

"The hospice program is a humane, low-cost alternative to long-term hospital care for the terminally ill and I fail to understand why the administration is dragging its feet," Bentsen said.

HHS officials said they would not comment until Heckler received the letter.

"Because this low rate of participation by hospice programs means

that only a limited number of Medicare beneficiaries will have access to reimbursable hospice care, we believe that a thorough evaluation of the reimbursement rates must be done as soon as possible," the letter said.

The rates were set following a controversial demonstration project by the Health Care Financing Administration. Daily Medicare rates are \$46.25 compared to average daily hospital rates of \$356 for the elderly. Hospice providers contend it costs them \$60-\$75 a day to deliver their services to a patient.

Bentsen and Roth said it was their understanding HHS had not forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget the cost reports on which participating hospices will provide information needed to evaluate the reimbursement rates.

Bentsen and Roth are members of the Senate Finance Committee.

Reagan opens doors of granary

United Press International

WASHINGTON — President Reagan further opened the doors of the bulging American granary Tuesday so the Soviet Union — confronting another poor harvest — can continue an unusual grain-buying spree.

Reagan told the Soviets they could buy 22 million tons of U.S. wheat and corn for the year beginning Oct. 1, an addition of 10 million to 12 million tons in annual purchases permitted under an agreement negotiated a year ago.

"I've said many times our philosophy is against the unfair, wrong-headed policies of grain embargoes, and we're going to do everything we can to strengthen markets for Amer-

ica's farmers," Reagan told reporters called to a special session in the White House Cabinet Room. "They're the most productive people, I think, on the face of the earth."

Sen. Roger Jepsen, R-Iowa, one of the farm state leaders present for the announcement, said later that the Soviets had not sought the increase, but Reagan offered it unilaterally. Such sales are made through private exporters.

The proposal, made in a message delivered to Moscow Monday, was unusual — offers to sell more than the maximum sales specified by the agreement generally are made during biannual consultations.

Reagan and Agriculture Secretary

John Block had indicated earlier they were willing to sell more grain to the Soviets. The sales, which are maintaining a floor under sluggish U.S. grain prices, are helpful politically in the Farm Belt.

Jepsen, who is facing a tough reelection battle, said the offer is "just good business. It's not pure politics at all." But he acknowledged he was pleased because what is good for agriculture is good for him politically.

On Jan. 25, the administration raised the ceiling on grain sales for the first year of the agreement, also by 10 million tons, to 22 million tons.

Since Block signed the latest five-year grain agreement with the Kremlin Aug. 25, 1983, the Soviets have purchased 23 million tons of

grain. Even though the second year of the grain agreement has not begun, the Soviets already are close to buying the maximum 8 million tons of corn permitted without special permission.

Agriculture Department analysts have estimated this year's Soviet grain crop will be about 180 million tons.

The Soviets have not harvested a good crop since 1978. American analysts have said the Soviets will import a near-record 43 million tons in the current marketing year.

Reagan, although taking a tough line against the Soviets in other areas, lifted the embargo after taking office and has encouraged grain sales.

Grand jury to hear photo studio case

By KARI FLUEGEL
Staff Writer

The grand jury will hear reports Thursday regarding complaints against University Studio and owner Jim Barry and decide what actions Barry will have to take concerning the complaints which have come from customers who have not re-

ceived either their photographs or refunds.

The county attorney's office is compiling a file of complaints to give to the grand jury, said Marie Welch, a secretary in the attorney's office.

Those wanting to add their name to the list should write a letter explaining their complaint and include categories such as: if they made a de-

posit, how much of a deposit was made and the value of the merchandise.

Letters should be taken to the county attorney's office before Thursday morning, Welch said.

When the Brazos Valley Better Business Bureau received a number of complaints regarding University Studio, the BBB turned the com-

plaints over to the county attorney's office, she said.

A representative of the Texas A&M Student Legal Service said it also has received several complaints about University Studio.

When asked about the complaints, Barry's attorney Roland Searcy said that Barry was in the process of working out the problems.

MEXICO

GENERAL MEETING

Wed. Sept. 12 7:00 p.m.
room 501 Rudder Tower

P.S. Sept. 14 Mexican Show (MSA & CAMAC)
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