

# Student to address rape crisis forum

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Reporter

A Texas A&M student who was a victim of a rape will give advice on how to cope with rape and how to prevent it from happening at a rape prevention program today sponsored by the Department of Student Affairs.

Bob Wiatt, director of security and traffic at A&M, will be the keynote speaker.

The program, "Rape: An Act of Violence," will be at 7 p.m. in 231 Memorial Student Center. It will feature a slide show on rape prevention and defense.

Many people think that rape could never happen to them, Jan Winniford, assistant director of student affairs, said.

"We are trying to stress prevention," Winniford said. "Many survivors take an open attitude after they have become victims. This student

chose to face the problem, and help others to overcome it, too."

The program will offer security and rape prevention tips. For example, lock your doors, never walk alone at night, walk in well-lit places and report any suspicious activities.

"Most safety precautions are common sense, but you just need to be reminded of them," Winniford said.

The Department of Student Affairs will schedule a security program for any organization on or off campus.

"We will be more than happy to present a program to sororities or any other student groups," Winniford said.

In the community, the Brazos County Rape Crisis Center offers tips on how to prevent rape, and what to do if it happens to you.



Sketchbook preview  
Ray Evans, left, an artist who travels the world recording what he sees with watercolors, pencils and pens, presents one of his sketchbooks to freshmen environmental design majors Ken Odom, center, from the Woodlands, and Mike Flores from Harlingen. Evans will deliver a lecture on his work at 5 p.m. Tuesday in 105C Langford Architecture Center.

# Diamond Shamrock eyes new acquisitions

United Press International

DALLAS — Diamond Shamrock Corp. Chairman William H. Bricker said Monday he was pleased with the recent acquisitions of Sigmor Corp. and Natomas Co. by Diamond, and would consider another takeover to increase oil and gas reserves.

Bricker refused to say whether discussions or plans for such a step are underway. He said any acquisition would have to be for cash.

"We've given out enough stock (in other takeovers)," Bricker said.

Bricker also said his integrated energy company would consider selling part of a geothermal energy project Diamond Shamrock gained when it bought Natomas.

He said Natomas, acquired in August 1983, "so far has exceeded our expectations in terms of every measurement that we would have wanted to apply."

The acquisition of Natomas gave Diamond Shamrock additional pro-

duction facilities in Indonesia.

Bricker said the Sigmor refining and retail gasoline operations are not performing quite as well as he planned.

Bricker said wholesale prices of refined products were off about \$2 a barrel from what had been anticipated, but retail sales had been better than anticipated.

Diamond Shamrock also owns, along with Union Oil Co. of California, the world's largest geothermal project, which harnesses steam energy in underground reservoirs in northern California.

"The future looks good for geothermal," Bricker said. "It (the California project) also is a ready source of cash if we wanted to do something with it. I guess if the right opportunity came along we might sell a little piece of it to get cash to use to do something else."

# GOP chief says Texas budgets to bring taxes

United Press International

AUSTIN — The chairman of the Texas Republican Party said Monday the Democrats in charge of state government are submitting "gold-plated budgets" that eventually will lead to the initiation of a state income tax.

GOP chief George Strake singled out the 1986-1987 budget proposals submitted by Land Commissioner Garry Mauro and Agriculture Com-

missioner Jim Hightower as examples of "a state spending binge."

Mauro immediately dismissed Strake's attack as a "headline-grabbing" effort, while a spokesman for Hightower said that Strake knows nothing about the operation of state government.

Strake criticized Mauro's request for a 47 percent budget increase including 163 new employees, 31 four-wheel drive vehicles and four boats.

He said Hightower's purchase of an airplane, request for 64 new vehicles and high priority proposal for a personal salary increase were similarly excessive.

"We have a state spending binge going on here in Austin in epidemic proportions, and if we do not bring it to the attention of the taxpayer now, in my opinion, the Texas taxpayers will be faced with a state income tax in the next five to 10

years," Strake said at a news conference.

Mauro said the additional revenue he requested would enable the General Land Office to increase its audits and inspections of oil wells on the state's 20 million acres of public land.

"Last year, we had a \$7.8 million budget and deposited in school and general revenue funds over \$400 million," Mauro said.

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