

Around town

OCA — Corps Cross-Dine sign-up now

Off Campus Aggies can dine with the Corps of Cadets Thursday, Nov. 1 at 6 p.m. Anyone interested can sign up through Friday at noon in the OCA office. Only 100 spaces are available. The meal is \$4.50. For more information, contact Steve Leung at 260-2150 or Michelle Davis at 693-3313.

Aggieland '85 class pictures taken now

Freshmen and sophomores can have their class pictures taken now at the Pavilion from 8:30 p.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Junior, seniors and graduate students can avoid long lines by having their pictures taken now at the Yearbook Associates office at South Kyle, behind Culpepper Plaza. Don't delay getting your picture taken.

Class of '86 picnic tickets on sale now

The Class of '86 is sponsoring a "Buns Bonanza" picnic from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday at Bee Creek Park. There will be hotdogs, volleyball and softball. Tickets are on sale in 216 MSC for \$3.50.

New techniques detect cancer

United Press International

SAN FRANCISCO — In a step toward stopping cancer in its deadly tracks, two researchers Thursday reported developing advanced techniques for early detection of lung and bladder malignancies.

"New technology has allowed us to develop systems that in the next five years will revolutionize cancer detection, which now is limited to only what we can see," said Dr. George Hemstreet, director of the bladder cancer research team.

"Our results have exciting implications since the sooner the detection of the disease, the better the patient's long-term survival," said Dr. Lawrence Markovitz, who helped develop the lung cancer test.

Hemstreet, of the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center College of Medicine, and Markovitz, of Mount Sinai School of Medicine in New York City, reported their findings at the 70th annual clinical congress of the American College of Surgeons.

The bladder cancer detection method may be in use by January, 1986, while the detection method for lung cancer may be available in several years if further tests confirm the preliminary findings, the scientists said.

With current methods, lung can-

cer — the nation's No. 1 cancer killer, which claims 73,000 Americans each year — is usually first detected when the disease is so advanced the patient begins exhibiting symptoms or the malignant mass shows up on X-rays, about five or six years after the onset of the disease.

The new sophisticated blood test was shown in a study of 20 patients to be sensitive enough to reveal the presence of only a few infected cells.

"That's an incredible improvement," Markovitz said in an interview. "Indications are the technique can detect lung cancer at such an early stage, a cure may be possible through surgery or radiation or some other therapy."

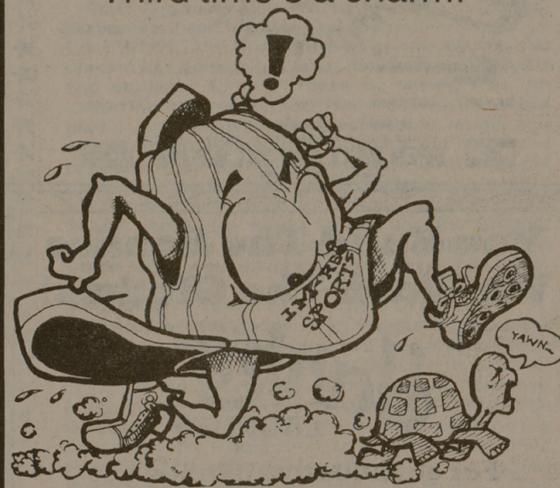
Of the one in 10,000 Americans stricken with bladder cancer each year, 60 percent are first diagnosed when the disease has progressed to the point it will kill half of them within five years of detection.

"Current methods of detecting bladder cancer, which are 10 percent to 50 percent effective, are so useless, most doctors don't even bother with the test," Hemstreet said.

In three studies, the new urine test was shown to be 90 percent effective in detecting bladder tumors, even at early stages.

Intramural Triathlon Bulletin

Third time's a charm!



The IM-Rec Sports Triathlon will be held Sunday, Oct. 28. All starting times remain the same. Participants should arrive 30 minutes prior to starting time.

Contact IM-Rec Sports at 845-7826 for information.

Main lender freezes Syntech account

United Press International

DALLAS — A grand jury investigation of a telecommunications company raided by police on Monday is scheduled to begin next week, the company reported Thursday. Police seized 110 computer terminals from Syntech International Inc. claiming the machines were gambling devices.

And in a related development, the company's primary banker-lender Thursday announced it would temporarily freeze about \$1.3 billion of

the company's funds.

Pierce Allman, a spokesman hired by the company, would not name the lending agency involved, but he said negotiations between agency officials and Syntech were going on.

Allman said Syntech, a high-tech company that develops and manufactures telecommunications equipment, would not say how long the funds might be tied up.

"Any business faced with a situation like this is going to experience

some sort of liquidity problem, so I'm sure it requires replanning and readjustment," Allman said.

He said that there would be no layoffs.

The Dow Jones New Service, a financial reporting service, Thursday said the unidentified lending agency was freezing about \$1.3 billion of Syntech's funds after the Monday raid.

"The company said it believes its revenues from other activities will be

sufficient to maintain present operations," the service reported.

Police Monday seized 110 computer terminals from Syntech property, claiming the company was violating state law which bans the possession of gambling devices.

The company claimed the terminals, which were part of a shipment bound for the New York State Lottery, could be used "for dispensing other items such as airline tickets and money orders."

Jackson speaks for Democrats

United Press International

EL PASO — The Rev. Jesse Jackson was in El Paso on Thursday giving his support to the Mondale-Ferraro ticket and claiming Reagan's plan for Central America is an invasion, not a negotiation.

Jackson spent about 45 minutes speaking to a partisan group of about 50 supporters at El Paso International Airport before departing on a private plane for speaking engagements in San Diego and Los Angeles. He is scheduled to speak for the Democratic ticket tonight in San Antonio.

The former presidential candidate, who came in second in the Texas Democratic primary, crit-

Ex-candidate condemns Reagan's foreign policies

icized Reagan's policies on Nicaragua.

Reagan's policy for dealing with problems of Central America is one of invasion and assassination, he said.

Jackson compared the CIA pamphlet circulated in Nicaragua to documents uncovered after the assassination of Civil Rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King.

"The language in the CIA manual to 'neutralize' the leadership in Nicaragua is the same language used in

papers relating to the assassination of Dr. King," he said.

Jackson criticized U.S. involvement in South Africa and called the Reagan administration "hypocritical" for espousing human rights for citizens of the Soviet Union, while supporting what he called the repressive regime in South Africa.

"The United States is South Africa's number one trading partner," he said. "We are supporters of the

regime" which advocates apartheid, a system of racial discrimination.

Jackson said Hispanics in El Paso have a clear choice in the Nov. 6 general election.

"For all who are poor, women, minorities and those who seek peace, the Mondale-Ferraro ticket gives you a way out," he said, repeating his previous statements that poverty in the United States has increased by 8 million in the past four years, to a total of 35 million.

Jackson said the economy is not as strong as the Reagan administration is painting it. He said some people may be experiencing short term gains but will suffer in the long run because of the high deficits.

Your ministry rejects mountain ascent request

United Press International

KATMANDU, Nepal — Nepal's Tourism Ministry said Thursday it rejected a Texan's request to become the oldest man ever to climb Mount Everest.

Dick Bass, 54, a millionaire Dallas oilman, also had hoped to climb the world's highest mountain to complete his goal of reaching the top of the tallest peaks in all seven conti-

nents.

He already has attempted to climb the 29,029-foot Everest. Earlier this year, he reached 26,250 feet on an expedition made with a group of Nepalese police to clean the mountain of rubbish left from over 30 years of climbing expeditions.

This time Bass, the owner of a Utah ski resort, hoped to reach the top with the help of Gary Neptune,

39, of Boulder, Colo., and David Breashears, 26, of Newton, Mass., who both climbed Everest last year.

Bass said he contributed \$150,000 to the police group's expedition earlier this year, then discovered after it began that only police were permitted to go to the summit. Bass eventually was ordered off the mountain Oct. 14 after having reached 26,250 feet above sea level.

"I wanted to climb Everest to the summit. I am sadder but a wiser person on climbing regulations in Nepal," Bass said.

He put in his formal application to climb Everest following the police expedition. Nepalese newspapers in turn claimed Bass was trying to jump ahead of others who have filled the climbing schedule for Everest into the 1990s.

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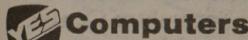
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Each Saturday in October, Yes Computers will feature a free telecommunications seminar from 10:00-11:00 a.m. The seminar will include the following topics: how to use a modem and using a microcomputer to connect to a mini or mainframe (including Wylbur). Question and answer session to follow hands-on section of the seminar.

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