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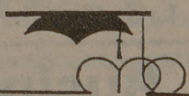
ATTENTION SENIORS! nominations for PREFERRED PROF AWARD:

what: Nominate your favorite professor for this award presented to one outstanding professor on campus

how: Write a brief statement explaining how your prof demonstrates scholarship, leadership, and service

due: 5:00 pm Friday, Feb. 1
Room 208 Pavilion

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Safety board says child safety seats not used properly

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Forty-nine states require automobile safety seats for small children, but federal officials say the devices are used only about half the time when required — and then usually improperly. Safety experts also say the design of the child safety seats, their complicated instructions for use, and the fact that most cars are not made to use the seats all contribute to the problem.

Alarmed by the situation, the National Transportation Safety Board is bringing together auto manufacturers, safety experts, and government officials Monday for a symposium to discuss the matter.

Federal regulations set minimum standards for all child safety seats. But Patricia Goldman, the NTSB's vice chairman, said in an interview that the most frequent misuses involve seats improperly fastened to the cars and children strapped insecurely into the seats.

Sometime parents knowingly misuse the seats because they are in a hurry "or some other excuse," but other times the design of the seats confuse parents and lead to improper installation, Goldman said.

The National Transportation Safety Board's investigation of traffic accidents for several years has suggested child seats are often not

used and commonly used improperly. Several new surveys of child seat use confirms the board's fears.

One study by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration shows that during the last six months of 1984 the usage rate of child seats for children 5 years or younger was only 49.3 percent. The usage rate for infants was somewhat higher — 69.2 percent.

Another study, reflecting a general conclusion reached by other researchers — showed that many seats are used incorrectly, Goldman said.

Of 1,006 automobiles with child safety seats observed at parking lots of a fast food chain in 10 cities, 64.6 percent of them were misused, according to a study done for NHTSA.

The report said the most common problem was that the seats either were not properly secured or the children were not snugly strapped into the seats.

The holdout is Wyoming where Goldman said there are solid indications child safety belt legislation will be enacted this year.

Nevertheless, federal safety officials say, there are still 600 fatalities and 50,000 serious injuries among small children in traffic accidents each year. Some of the fatalities and many of the serious injuries are attributed to misuse of the seats.



Photo by ANTHONY S. CASPER

'Night Mother

Thelma Cates (Mercedes McCambridge) and Jessie (Phyllis Somerville) her daughter, share a difficult moment in their Saturday night performance of 'Night Mother in Rudder Tower. A review of the play will be in this Friday's AT EASE supplement to the Battalion.

'Amadeus' takes top Golden Globe honors

Associated Press

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. — "Amadeus," "A Passage to India" and "Romancing the Stone" received the most Golden Globe film awards this weekend, while two new series — "Murder, She Wrote" and "The Cosby Show" — shared top TV honors with "Something About Amelia." "Amadeus," a tale of jealousy based on the life of Mozart, won

four awards in Saturday night's ceremonies for best film drama, best actor for F. Murray Abraham, best directing for Milos Forman and best screenplay for Peter Shaffer.

"A Passage to India," an epic film rendition of the E.M. Forster novel, was honored as best foreign film, and also won for best supporting actress (Peggy Ashcroft) and best film score (Maurice Jarre).

Kathleen Turner was named best actress in a comedy for her portrayal of a timid novelist thrust into a South American treasure hunt in "Romancing the Stone," which was also named best film comedy.

Comedian Dudley Moore scored the surprise of the evening, winning the award for best actor in a film comedy over Eddie Murphy in "Beverly Hills Cop," Steve Martin in "All

of Me," Bill Murray in "Ghostbusters" and Robin Williams in "Cow on the Hudson."

Sally Field, who portrayed a Depression-era farm widow in "Bar of the Heart," was honored as best actress in a film drama, and Ding Ling S. Ngor, who played a Cambodian reporter in "The Killing Fields," was voted best supporting film actor.

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ENTRIES CLOSE:

TEAM BOWLING—Bowling, it's not just a job; it's an adventure. Team Bowling entries close Tuesday, Jan. 29. Teams consist of four bowlers with only one TAMU bowler per team. CoRec teams consist of two men and two women. All league games and the first-round of playoffs must be paid for in advance at the Intramural Office, 159 East Kyle. The entry fee is \$18.50 per team. Team Bowling divisions include: Men's, Women's, Dorm, Independent and CoRec.

ENTRIES OPEN:

WALLYBALL—Claustrophobic? That's OK. We'll still let you play Wallyball. Wallyball entries open Monday, Jan. 28 and close Tuesday, Feb. 5. Wallyball teams consist of three players with no more than one TAMU Volleyball Club member or former varsity letter winner per team. That team must compete in Class A competition. Play begins Sunday, Feb. 10. A fee of \$15 per team required at registration. Play schedules available at the team captain's meeting Thursday, Feb. 7 at 6 p.m. in 167 East Kyle.

FREE THROW CONTEST—This really is a "free" throw contest. Entries open Monday, Jan. 28 and close Tuesday, Feb. 5 for singles and team free throw contestants. The event will take place on the main floor of G. Rollie White Coliseum on Thursday, Feb. 7, 7 - 10 p.m. Singles competition will be judged on the highest number of free throws made out of the 25 chances. Teams, which consist of four people, will be determined by the total score for all four people. Register in advance at the Intramural-Recreational Sports Office, 159 East Kyle.

SLOW PITCH SOFTBALL—The only thing slow about this softball game is the pitch. Entries open Monday, Jan. 28 and close Tuesday, Feb. 5 for Slow Pitch Softball. ASA rules with Intramural exceptions will be used. Competition will consist of round robin league play in classes A, B, and C. Single elimination playoffs for those classes will follow league play. T-shirts will be awarded to Class A champions and certificates go to Class B winners. For more information contact the IM-Rec Office, 159 East Kyle. Schedules and rule changes will be available at the team captain's meeting Thursday, Feb. 7 at 5 p.m. Rm. 301 Rudder.

PRESEASON SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT—Shades of basketball season! Entries open Monday, Jan. 28 and close Tuesday, Feb. 5 for the preseason tournament. Entries will be limited to 64 Men's teams, 32 CoRec teams and 16 Women's teams. Schedules may be picked up at the IM-Rec Sports Office on Thursday, Feb. 7. In case of a rain out, the tournament will be held Feb. 15 - 17. If both weekends are rained out, the tournament will be cancelled. Only teams not completing one full game will be given a refund. Games will be played on the Penberthy Field Complex. A \$5 entry fee is being charged. This tournament sponsored by the Texas A&M Sports Official's Association.

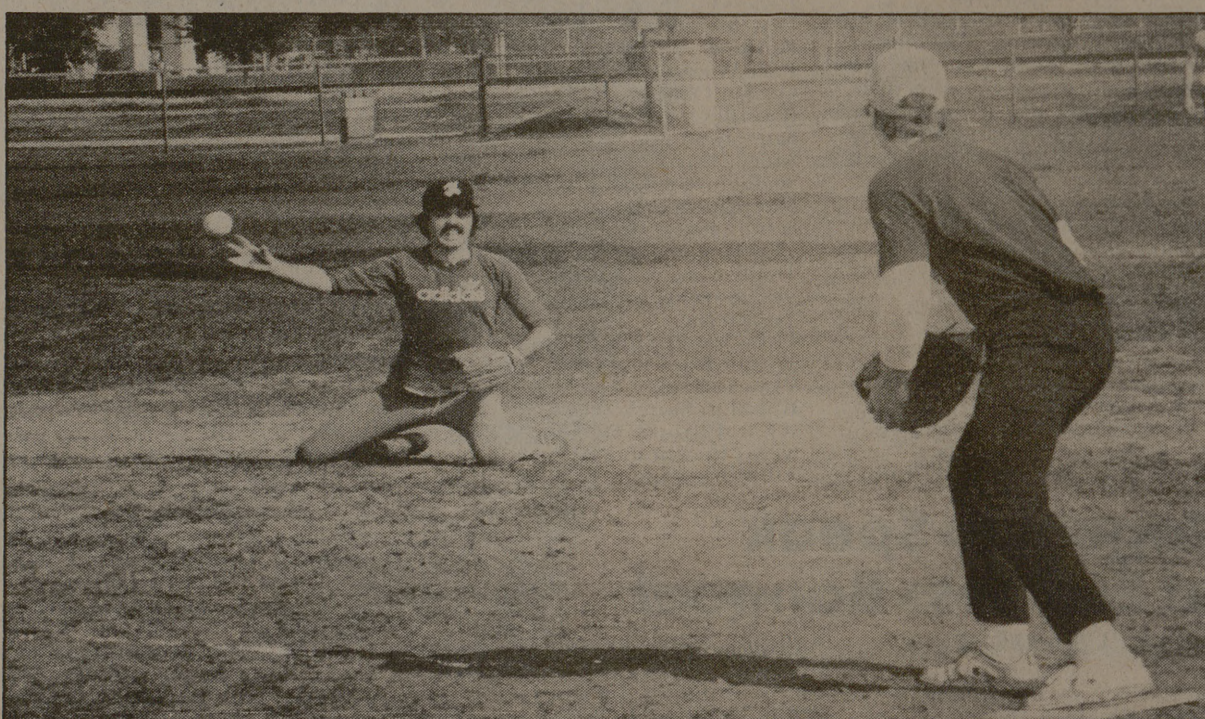
IMPORTANT NUMBERS

- IM-Rec Sports Office: 845-7826
- Racquetball Reservations: 845-2624
- Rainout Information: 845-2625

OFFICIALS NEEDED

Slow Pitch Softball officials are needed. Hours are flexible and the pay is good. The first officials meeting is tonight Monday, Jan. 28 at 6 p.m. in Rm. 164 East Kyle. For more information contact the IM-Rec Sports Office at 845-7826.

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WEIGHTROOM HOURS

Due to expanded physical education classes, the weightroom hours have been changed from last semester:

- Monday and Wednesday 11:40 a.m. — 11 p.m.
- Tuesday and Thursday 2:05 a.m. — 11 p.m.
- Friday 11 a.m. — 11 p.m.
- Saturday and Sunday 2 p.m. — 7 p.m.

REC PASSES

Recreational passes are available in the Intramural-Recreational Sports Office. A rec pass allows faculty, staff and family to use all recreational facilities. For more information call the IM-Rec Office at 845-7826.

OFFICIATING!

When a prospective employer asks you about previous experience, sports officials may proudly claim the ultimate work experience.

The one area that individuals can learn a great deal about is people — and that even includes getting to know more about oneself. Behaviors in sport are often unpredictable. Officials must learn to deal with people who change temperaments during competitive sports activities.

Officiating, by nature, is not an easy job, but the work experience has proved so valuable to most that we are getting an increase in the number of students who are interested in such a challenge. The Intramural-Recreational Sports Department employs nearly 500 students each year to officiate football, basketball, indoor & outdoor soccer, softball, inner-tube water basketball and inner-tube water polo, flickerball, volleyball and wallyball.

A high standard is set and Intramural-Recreational Sports Professional Staff members see to it that the officials are carefully instructed in the rules, techniques and art of officiating.

Officiating is one of the major components of any successful Intramural program. The TAMU Intramural-Recreational Sports Department is particularly proud of its officials.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

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