

## What's up

Thursday

**GARLAND AGGIE MOMS:** will hold a benefit dance for the Joe Swinney Memorial Scholarship Fund. The benefit will be Saturday in Richardson at the St. Joseph's Parish Center and will start at 8:30 p.m. For more information call Tracy Tomac, 696-7904.

**INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS COMMITTEE:** will meet at 8:30 p.m. in 501 Rudder.

**TAMU MACINTOSH USERS' GROUP:** will meet at 7:30 p.m. in 101 Soil and Crop Sciences.

**SNEAD TRANSPORTATION SEMINAR/DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL ENGINEERING:** will present Elliot Schrier, president of Manalytics Inc., discussing maritime transportation at 2 p.m. in 503 Blocker.

**CEPHEID VARIABLE:** will show "Dr. Strangelove" at 7:30 p.m. and 9:45 p.m. in 701 Rudder. Admission is \$1.50.

**ATARI USER GROUP:** will meet to discuss a newsletter at 7:30 p.m. in 102 Teague.

**GRADUATE STUDENT COUNCIL:** will meet at 5 p.m. in 139 MSC.

Friday

**KAPPA ALPHA THETA:** will sponsor a 5K foot-race for charity on Sunday at 5 p.m. Registration will be from 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Entry forms are available now at the aerobics track, intramural office and the Kappa Alpha Theta house. For more information call 693-5289.

**STUDENT BOOK EXCHANGE:** will be Friday through May 15. Go by 221 Pavilion and register the books you want to sell from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. A list of all books will be made available free of charge. For more information call 845-3051.

**MSC RECREATION:** will sponsor the Ed Bloese Billiards Tourney at 6 p.m. in the MSC bowling and games area. Entry fee is \$3.

**GRADUATE STUDENT CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP:** will meet for prayer and Bible study at 8 a.m. in the Meditation Room of the All Faiths Chapel.

**UNITED CAMPUS MINISTRY:** will hold a peanut butter fellowship at 11:30 a.m. at Rudder Fountain and a Bible study at 6:15 p.m. at the A&M Presbyterian Church.

**Items for What's Up should be submitted to The Battalion, 216 Reed McDonald, no less than three days prior to desired publication date.**

## Big Mac statue retrieved from 'ham-burglars'

IRVING (AP) — Big Mac is back, none the worse after he was attacked several months ago and stolen from his pedestal near the drive-through window at a local McDonald's restaurant, police said Wednesday.

But the return of the stolen statue hasn't completely solved the mystery of the purloined patties — police are still looking for the ham-burglars who kept Big Mac hidden for several months.

Big Mac, still dressed in his blue police uniform, was found Monday night in an area home's back yard. He was in good condition after his ordeal with only a few scratches on his sesame seed buns.

Police wouldn't say exactly where they found the statue, although they said no charges have been filed in the case.

McDonald's owner Lawrence Ingram was glad to see the \$1,300 burgerman returned after the February theft, but he noted that it wasn't the first time McDonaldland has been invaded.

"The Ronald (McDonald statue) was taken from our Esters Road restaurant a year ago, and we just got it back two weeks ago," he said.

Ronald — worth \$2,100 — was found in a warehouse near the Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport by Irving police investigator John Vardiman.

The 1-year-old Big Mac was taken in the early hours of the morning from his pedestal near the McDonald's drive-thru window. Ingram said he didn't expect the return of this Big Mac carry out.

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## Core curriculum proposal gets Student Senate support

By Rodney Rather  
Staff Writer

The Texas A&M Student Senate Wednesday passed a resolution supporting the core curriculum proposal passed by the Faculty Senate.

The senate also chose new officers, passed a resolution recommending a longer Q-drop period, and heard a brief explanation from an athletic department official concerning the increase in ticket prices for Aggie football games with the University of Texas and Louisiana State University.

Academic Affairs Chairman Jerry Dingmore said the purpose of the core curriculum resolution was to recognize and applaud the efforts of

the Faculty Senate on the issue. The measure passed with the support of 37 of the 48 senators present.

Dingmore also said the departments already meet most of the requirements of the core curriculum in their programs and only three to six hours will be added in most cases.

In addition, the senate chose its 1986-87 officers. They are Miles Bradshaw, speaker of the senate; Mason Hogan, speaker pro tempore; and Clay Baker, rules and regulations chairman.

Regarding the football ticket prices, Wally Groff, associate athletic director for finance, said the increases for the UT and LSU games are necessary to compensate for a \$550,000 loss experienced by the

Athletic Department as a result of two actions taken by the Legislature last June.

Those actions include cancellation of interstate tuition exemption for collegiate athletes and the forcing of self-supporting state programs to pay its employees instead of the state.

The senate also passed a resolution recommending the Q-drop period be extended to eight weeks in the semester instead of the present five-week limit.

The resolution also requests no limits be placed on the number of drops a student could have and extend the limit of withdraws a student may have to the last day of classes.

## Health agency cites deficiencies at hospital

WICHITA FALLS (AP) — Wichita Falls General Hospital has until May 30 to correct deficiencies the Texas Department of Health cited during a recent investigation into why an organ donor's blood type was misidentified, officials said.

The investigation, completed April 10, began after a heart from a donor in the hospital was transplanted March 21 in St. Louis into a man with a different blood type.

"We asked them (Health Department) to investigate those things that had bearing with the complaint," said Wayne Lindsey, survey and certification specialist with the Dallas regional office of the health care financing administration.

Wichita Falls General pathologist John Scott said on

April 17 that a misinterpretation error, not laboratory procedure, caused the misidentified blood type. He said the hospital fired the laboratory technologist who made the mistake.

Among the deficiencies in the hospital's anesthesiology department and laboratory found in the Health Department investigation were:

- The exclusion of certain surgically removed tissues from pathologist review.
- Omission of date, time and name of person collecting samples on laboratory reports.
- Incomplete and out-of-date microbiology and chemistry procedure manuals.
- Some cultures not checked upon receipt, even for sterility.

## Judge orders limit on killing of dairy cattle

LUBBOCK (AP) — A federal judge Wednesday ordered the Agriculture Department to limit the slaughter of dairy cattle in its efforts to cut milk production, saying the department must devise regulations to protect the beef industry.

U.S. District Judge Halbert O. Woodward, ruling in a suit brought by beef producers, issued a preliminary injunction and said the government must prepare regulations that will limit the total dairy cattle marked for slaughter to no more than 7 percent of the national dairy herd per year.

"The regulation shall further provide for feasible steps to minimize the adverse effect of the marketing of the dairy cattle in the program on contracts on beef, pork, and poultry producers," the judge said.

The government on April 1 began the program to slaughter a million dairy cattle over an 18-month period. Woodward gave the Agriculture Department until June 1 to devise the regulations.

Five Texas cattlemen, a Montana producer and three beef industry groups filed suit April 8 claiming that the program brought a \$25 million loss in the value of beef cattle sold during the first week.

## Dead candidate runs on reputation in El Paso election

EL PASO (AP) — A dead judge, a county attorney indicted on cocaine charges, a county commission candidate accused of theft and a county judge hopeful dragged to a psychiatric ward are running for office in Saturday's Democratic primaries.

A humdrum political season has picked up considerably, providing a glimpse of Democratic politics, West Texas style.

Peter S. Peca Jr. is faced with the task of campaigning against the late but still widely popular District Judge Edwin Berliner for the deceased jurist's post. Berliner died in March too late for his name to be removed from the ballot.

Harry Guildford, secretary of El Paso County's Democratic Party, said, "Some people may not want to vote for a man who's dead, but a lot of people think (Berliner) was a good man and that he should go through life and through death undefeated."

Other races have El Paso County Attorney Danny Anchondo and County Commission candidate Michael Webster both screaming political foul.

A grand jury Tuesday indicted Anchondo on a felony charge of cocaine possession. Anchondo and his

brother Robert Anchondo were arrested April 16 after police searched their respective homes and found a pinch of cocaine in the county attorney's home. The county attorney immediately posted \$5,000 bond and resumed campaigning.

Webster, released from jail Tuesday, is claiming his arrest on a felony theft charge was "totally political."

Richard Hobbs, Webster's former campaign manager, filed a police complaint charging that Webster was giving him the "runaround" about returning some household items. He said Webster punched him when Hobbs asked him to return a stove, washer, dryer, refrigerator and television set.

Capping a hard day for political hopefuls Tuesday, county judge candidate Hoss Garvey told the judge at his competency hearing that he would prefer to spend the night at the county jail instead of the county hospital's psychiatric ward.

"At least there they know I'm an honorable man," Garvey said.

Garvey, whose mother is trying to have him committed after he allegedly threw two bowling balls through a neighbor's window, set up temporary campaign headquarters at the psychiatric wing.

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