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# Health professionals launch new program urging mammograms

By Adrienne D. Dunbar  
Reporter

One in 10 women in the United States will be diagnosed with breast cancer in her lifetime. To combat this disease, doctors and health professionals are launching a 1987 Texas Breast Screening Project, devised to provide low-cost mammograms and promote early detection as the best weapon against cancer.

A mammogram is a low-dose X-ray of the breast that can detect cancerous tumors too small to be felt by an examiner.

Many women, however, are hesitant to get a mammogram, said Tim Elsner, public information director of the American Cancer Society. Major deterrents include fear of radiation, lack of information and high cost, Elsner said.

In an effort to reduce the high cost and inform women of the mammogram screening benefits, KBTX-TV of Bryan and Dean Witter Reynolds Inc. will sponsor an informational series on the Channel 3 news March 2-6, while local hospitals and clinics are working to offer mammograms at \$50 or less.

Screening mammograms are very useful and sometimes lifesaving, but aren't covered by most insurance plans, the ACS said.

A local insurance agent said, "We don't cover preventative care. Anytime you go to a physician with a problem, then that's covered."

A Dallas representative of a national insurance company added, "If it's not medically necessary, we don't cover it. But how do you determine that? If it's through a doctor's care, then we cover it."

The ACS suggests screening mammograms for women at about age 35. This provides a "baseline" to which future mammograms can be compared. Annual mammograms are encouraged for women over 50.

"The American Cancer Society hopes to create an awareness so women will become conscious consumers," Elsner said. "We hope to do for the mammogram what the Society was able to accomplish in the 1960s by alerting women to the Pap tests."

# Clements' budget plans knocked by state officials

AUSTIN (AP) — Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby and House Speaker Gib Lewis said Tuesday that Gov. Bill Clements' proposed budget could hurt the poor while failing to solve the state's fiscal dilemma.

"It's a little short on adding up," Lewis said before meeting with Clements.

Asked if Clements' numbers add up to a solution, Hobby said, "No, they certainly don't. You've seen the (Legislative) Budget Board analysis, I'm sure."

The LBB analysis released Monday said Clements' budget includes cuts in several programs, including Department of Human Services programs for the needy. The governor's proposed \$36.9 billion 1988-89 state budget gives the department \$577.2 million less than the amount needed to maintain current services, the LBB analysis reported.

At his Tuesday news conference, Clements said there is room for adjustments in the budget, but vowed to stand firm on his promise to veto any budget above \$36.9 billion.

The Clements plan includes continuation of the current temporary increases in the state sales and gasoline taxes, Hobby and Lewis are talking about more sweeping changes in state taxes.

It adds up to the sort of legislative deadlock that some lawmakers have predicted will mean several summer special sessions to write the budget.

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# Police Beat

The following were reported to the University Police Department from Feb. 2 through Sunday:

**MISDEMEANOR THEFT:**

- Three bicycles were reported stolen.
- Two backpacks were reported stolen from the Commons Dining Hall.
- A 21-digit phone was reported stolen from the Academic Building.
- A moped that had been reported stolen was recovered by its owner in the Dunn Hall bike racks. The student reported that the moped had been hot-wired.
- A blue jean jacket was reported stolen from the University Police Department. The student reported that he left the jacket on the back of a chair in the University Police squad room.

**FELONY THEFT:**

- A painting of Oveta Culp Hobby and three plaques were reported stolen from a first floor display case of Hobby Hall.

**BURGLARY OF A HABITATION:**

- A student reported that someone entered his unlocked dorm room in Dunn Hall and removed his Tocom cable converter box.

**ATTEMPTED THEFT OF LIVESTOCK:**

- University Police received a report that someone tried to steal a brown Jersey calf from a pen just east of the A&M Cattle Center. The calf was found on F&B road with three of its legs tied.

**CRIMINAL MISCHIEF:**

- A student reported that someone used a sharp object to make wavy scratches on his 1984 Nissan Sentra while it was parked on campus.
- A student reported that someone shot his dorm room window in Davis-Gary Hall with a BB.

**CRIMINAL TRESPASS:**

- An officer was notified that a student sneaked a camera into the Pretenders concert. The student refused to remove the camera and was escorted from the concert. The student later was arrested in the backstage area after he falsely identified himself as a concert photographer. The student was given a written Criminal Trespass Warning and released.

**ASSAULT:**

- A student reported that about 3 a.m. he was attacked by a campus parking lot by a man about 6 feet tall. When contacted by police three days later, the student said he had not been assaulted, but had injured himself jumping off a moving train. He said his legs became entangled, he jumped and that he landed face-first in the rocks. The student added that he had been jumping onto moving trains since he was 11.

**HARASSMENT:**

- A student in Hughes Hall reported that she and her roommate have been receiving harassing phone calls for two days.
- A student reported that his sleep had been disturbed by phone calls between midnight and 3 a.m.
- Two students from Moore Hall reported receiving several annoying phone calls between 6:30 and 9 p.m.

**DISORDERLY CONDUCT:**

- University Police received reports of several naked men running in Krueger Hall around Rudder Tower about 3 a.m.

**TERRORISTIC THREAT:**

- A student reported that someone called her and said there was a bomb in the west laundry room of Krueger Hall. Investigating officers checked the building but found no bombs.

**INDECENT EXPOSURE:**

- A student reported that he saw a man masturbating in the MSC Lounge.

# Man gets death penalty in ax murder case

DALLAS (AP) — A jury Tuesday ordered the death penalty for a man who said he killed three women with a hatchet after he became tired of hearing them argue.

David Martin Long, 33, was convicted Saturday of capital murder in the Sept. 27 deaths of Donna Sue Jester, 37, Dalpha Lorene Jester, 64, and Laura Lee Owen, 20.

Long earlier told the state district court he wanted the death penalty and was afraid he would kill again.

In the punishment phase of the trial, defense attorneys followed Long's instructions and presented no evidence.

During last week's trial, he resisted his attorneys' attempts to build an insanity defense.

He said he was possessed by demons, but was not insane. Long said the killings occurred after he was swept up by satanic influences.

Constant arguments prompted Long to kill the three women, whom he had been living for a week, he told police. He said he killed Donna Sue Jester with a hatchet first, then used it on her derly cousin, Dalpha Lorene Jester, and killed Laura Lee Owen when she returned home from work.

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