

What's up

Friday

SNEAD SEMINAR SERIES: Mr. Ray Barnhart, administrator of the Federal Highway System, will speak on "Current Status and Future Direction of the Federal Highway Systems" at 1:30 p.m. in 601 Rudder.

MANAGEMENT 481: Dale Yarbrough, president of Yarbrough Co., will speak on public relations at 2 p.m. in 114 Blocker.

STUDY ABROAD OFFICE: will present an informational seminar on study abroad programs at 2 p.m. in 251 Bizzell West.

LATTER-DAY SAINT STUDENT ASSOCIATION: President Myers will speak at noon at the LDS Institute at 100 E. Dexter.

UNITED CAMPUS MINISTRY: will hold a "peanut-butter" fellowship at 11 a.m. and will meet for Bible study at 6:15 p.m. at the A&M Presbyterian Church.

INTERVARSITY CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP: will meet at 7 p.m. in 301 Rudder.

CARIBBEAN STUDENTS ASSOCIATION: will meet at 7 p.m. in 402 Rudder.

COLOMBIAN STUDENT ASSOCIATION: will meet at 7 p.m. in 604 A-B Rudder.

CHESS CLUB: will meet at 7 p.m. in 607 Rudder.

TRANSFER CAMP '87/STUDENT Y: applications for counselors are available through today on the second floor of the Pavilion.

Saturday

MID-EAST TEXAS DIETETIC ASSOCIATION: will sponsor a nutrition fair featuring lectures and diet analysis from 9 a.m. to noon at the College Station Community Center. Call 845-3005 for more information.

TAMU SAILING CLUB: will meet at Yegua Creek all day for a sailing outing.

TAMU POLO CLUB: will hold a workday for all members at 9:30 a.m. at the polo barn.

OMEGA TAU SIGMA: will hold "Walk For the Animals," a pet walk-a-thon followed by a pet show at 10 a.m. in Central Park.

TAMU AMIGA USERS' GROUP: will meet at 2 p.m. in 06 Zachry.

TEXAS TRIATHLON SIX: will begin with swimming at 6:30 a.m. at Wofford Cain Pool and continue with biking and running. Benefits go to Brazos Valley Red Cross.

Sunday

DANCE ARTS SOCIETY: will hold solo and ensemble auditions for the spring concert at 2 p.m. in 268 Read.

TAMU INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCE CLUB: will learn line, circle and couple dances at 8 p.m. Check the Memorial Student Center monitors for location.

TAMU SCUBA CLUB: will play underwater football and hockey at 1:30 p.m. in the P.L. Downs Indoor Pool.

Monday

POLITICAL FORUM: Ambassador Ralph Earle II will speak on "U.S.-Soviet Relations" at 7 p.m. in 601 Rudder with a reception following.

DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH: Karen Forrest will hold a writing outreach session on "Applying for a Job: Writing a Resumé" at 6:30 p.m. in 105 Blocker.

DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING: Dr. George Stukhart will hold a review/help session on "Engineering Economics" at 6:30 p.m. in 103 Zachry.

AGGIE PARTNERS FOR SPECIAL OLYMPICS: will hold an informational meeting at 7:30 p.m. in 200 Heldenfels.

MSC OPAS: will hold a new-member information session at 7 p.m. in 410 Rudder.

MSC CAMAC: will meet at 7 p.m. Check the Memorial Student Center monitors for location.

AGGIE ALLEMANDERS: will hold square-dance lessons at 7 p.m. followed by a meeting at 8:30 p.m. in the Pavilion.

PSYCHOLOGY CLUB: will discuss eating disorders at 7 p.m. in HECC 204.

PHI THETA KAPPA ALUMNI: will meet at 7 p.m. at the Flying Tomato.

CBA HONORS ASSOCIATION: will meet at 7:30 p.m. in 504 Rudder.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES BUDGET WORKSHOP: Budget request forms are due at 4 p.m. Tuesday in 217 MSC.

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

Senate approves Clements' choices to join A&M board

AUSTIN (AP) — The Senate Thursday approved Gov. Bill Clements' appointment of two Texas A&M regents and the reappointment of another.

Nominations were approved for Douglas DeCluitt of McLennan County and Wayne Showers of Hidalgo County. William McKenzie of Dallas County was reappointed to the board.

Clements survived a minor Senate revolt Thursday as a bipartisan majority confirmed, 21-4, the appointment of Dallas lawyer-investor Louis Beecherl as a University of Texas regent.

Two senators who voted against Beecherl's six-year appointment said they had nothing against him but objected to Clements' handling of the appointment.

Sen. Chet Edwards, D-Duncanville, said he was voting against Beecherl "not because of any criticism of Mr. Beecherl, but because I feel very strongly that what Governor Clements did — trying to influence Mr. Beecherl's vote on the chairmanship of the UT board at the very meeting he was talking to Mr. Beecherl about his own appointment — was wrong."

Beecherl had testified at a meeting of Edwards' Nominations Committee that he had "some commitment" to Clements to work for a new UT regent chairman.

Edwards said Clements "did basically try to bring political pressure for political reasons to oust Mr. Jess Hay as chairman of that board."

"What was Mr. Hay guilty of?" Edwards said. "Well, a few days earlier he had spoken out forthrightly and said it is very important that we have a quality higher-education system in Texas."

"He said we should not provide further cuts in higher education. In fact, to really have a quality education system, we need more funding for those universities, not less."

Sen. Carl Parker, D-Port Arthur, said he had not been approached by Beecherl or any member of the governor's staff about Beecherl's "hopes and aspirations for the largest university in this state."

"I don't need a smoking gun to justify my vote" against Beecherl, Parker said. "All I need is the lack of response, the lack of a positive assurance that the person is committed to excellence in higher education in this state and dedicated to that proposition — and not simply a lackey or errand boy for the governor whose primary motive is to remove somebody that's already done a good job," Parker said.

The Senate took a separate vote on the following Clements appointments, approving them for six-year terms, 26-0:

University of Texas regents — Sam Barshop, Bexar County; W.A. "Tex" Moncrief, Tarrant.

Stephen F. Austin State University regents — Lawrence Jones, Tarrant; Peggy Wright, Nacogdoches.

Texas State University System regent — Norman Elder, Val Verde.

Farm Aid III to be held in Nebraska Sept. 27; Willie Nelson to host

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — Farm Aid III was planned for Washington, D.C., but timing and politics intervened to put the concert in Lincoln, says Willie Nelson, singer and organizer of Farm Aid.

University of Nebraska officials and Nelson announced Wednesday that Farm Aid III will be held at Memorial Stadium on Sept. 27 if negotiations on concert details can be completed.

"Originally, I thought about going to RFK Stadium in Washington and having a big to-do there," Nelson said in a telephone interview Wednesday night from Caesar's Palace in Las Vegas, Nev., "but it would have had to have been built around a farm bill. The timing would have had to have been so perfect and it may have turned into more a semi-militant-type advance on the Capitol."

"I can understand why a lot of people are upset. But I just wanted it to be an entertainment thing, to go into an area where the problem is as bad as it can get and do a show for the people there and at the same time call attention to the problem."

Nelson said he picked Lincoln for the concert because, among other reasons, Nebraska is one of the states hit hardest by the farm crisis.

Entertainers for the benefit concert have not been determined. The last two concerts have been showcases for American music, presenting a convincing blend of country and rock acts, a tradition Nelson said will continue here.

"I've always had the Fourth of July picnics and tried to have all kinds of music. I think that a good way to get all kinds of people together is to give them all kinds of music," he said.

"So far I have intentionally not called up anybody and said, 'We're doing Farm Aid III, do you want to be on it?' because I was waiting first of all to get a date," he said. "Now that we have a date, I can start getting in touch with people."

Two performers have told Nelson they would be at Farm Aid III regardless of its location: Neil Young, one of the organizers of the first Farm Aid show, and rocker Jon Bon Jovi.

"All the regulars, I'm going to try to get them to come back — Kris (Kristofferson), Waylon (Jennings), Emmylou (Harris), Neil Young, John Cougar Mellencamp — I'm going to invite all those guys and more," Nelson said. "I'm sure they will be there."

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INFORMATION TABLE:

April 1-2 MSC Lobby 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

FILM SEMINAR:

April 1 at 6:30 p.m. Rudder Tower Rm 504

INTERVIEWS:

April 15 Rudder Tower 10th Floor

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Constitutional convention draws opposition

AUSTIN (AP) — States calling for a constitutional convention to add a balanced-budget amendment to the U.S. Constitution are playing Russian roulette with the document, convention opponents said Thursday.

Organizations from all sides of the political spectrum gathered at a Capitol news conference to announce their support for a resolution filed by Rep. Clint Hackney, D-Houston.

Hackney is asking the state to withdraw a resolution passed in 1977 calling for a constitutional convention.

"I filed HCR69 this year in order to try and remove what I consider to be a cloud that is hanging over this country that is more dangerous than

any outside enemy that we might have," he said.

Thirty-two states have passed resolutions asking Congress to call a constitutional convention. Only two more would be needed for the convention to convene.

Opponents fear that because no rules exist for a constitutional convention, the convention would not be limited to adding a balanced-budget amendment and the entire Constitution potentially could be rewritten.

Hackney said the nation is not prepared for a constitutional convention and has no historic precedents to use as guidelines.

Liz Minnick, of Texas Eagle Forum, said she has already received two rewritten constitutions that she says are scary.

There are five chances that nothing will happen to it, but at least one chance exists that some guaranteed rights might be killed.

At the press conference, People For The American Way launched a national effort to persuade states that have passed measures calling for a convention to reconsider.

The group successfully lobbied the Montana Legislature to refuse to endorse the convention, said Art Kropp, executive director for People For The American Way.

States considering withdrawing their petitions include Nevada, Maryland, Pennsylvania and Texas. But 11 states are considering passing a petition to call the convention, Kropp said.

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