

## In Advance

### A&M official to discuss black history

Kevin Carreathers, Texas A&M's ethnic minority services coordinator, will discuss the importance of black history at 7 p.m. Thursday in 507 Rudder.

The program is sponsored by the Nigerian Student Association in cooperation with the International Students Association.

In the presentation, "Black History: The True Story from 1200 B.C. to Present," Carreathers will speak about the contribu-

tions blacks have made throughout history.

He will talk about famous black people, major events in black history and how black history has been distorted over time.

Nigerian National Day celebrates Nigeria's independence from Great Britain in 1960.

The NSA also is commemorating the holiday with a cultural display on the first floor of the Sterling C. Evans Library.

### Dukakis to hold teleconference at A&M

By Tracy Staton  
Staff Writer

Democratic presidential candidate Michael S. Dukakis, governor of Massachusetts, will hold a national teleconference Friday from Rudder Theater, beginning at 3:30 p.m. It is the first program in "Decision '88: The Presidential Series" sponsored by MSC Political Forum.

Dukakis will speak either about education and research or U.S. military policy, said Mitchell Davis, Political Forum's program director for the event.

After the speech, Dukakis will answer questions from both the live audience and teleconference viewers.

Although the teleconference won't air until 3:30 p.m., people should arrive at the theater by 3:15 p.m., Davis said. It will air on closed-circuit television for news

organizations, colleges and universities.

"The teleconference was their (Dukakis' campaign workers) idea," Davis said. "They are bringing a producer from Boston who has done a lot of work for candidates in the past."

The program won't be shown anywhere else on campus because there will be plenty of room in Rudder Theater for students who want to see it, he said.

Political Forum has invited all 12 presidential candidates to visit A&M. Davis said Republicans Pete DuPont, Robert Dole, George Bush and Alexander Haig have agreed to speak.

Democrats Jesse Jackson and Paul Simon also have said they will campaign here.

The Dukakis program is the only one in the series this semester. Most of the candidates will speak in Spring 1988.

### Sorority to co-sponsor talent contest

By Craig Calk  
Reporter

Songfest, the tenth annual Chi Omega Sorority talent contest, will be presented at 8 p.m. Friday in Rudder Theater.

The annual event will be co-sponsored by Chi Omega and Texas A&M's Inter-Fraternity Council and will benefit the Brazos Valley Rehabilitation Center.

"This is the first year Chi Omega has joined another organization to help put on Songfest," Songfest co-chairman Kirsten Olsson said. "We thought the Inter-Fraternity Council would be a great help in getting other fraternities involved and since IFC is recognized by A&M it would give us (Chi Omegas) the opportunity to use school facilities."

This is the first time the event will be presented on campus and IFC President Stephen Parker says that Songfest is a great way of unifying Greek organizations.

"I am very excited about having Songfest on campus in order to improve Greek relations and give non-Greek organizations a chance to get involved," Parker said. "We will be working with more professional and organized people this year and individual students may get associated with the Greeks."

Songfest is open to all soror-

ties, fraternities and various non-Greek organizations. Men, women and mixed group are the three different competition categories. Each group must enter a musical performance consisting of a song or medley of its choice. Trophies will be awarded to the best overall, second-best overall and for each competition category.

Two weeks before the competition there is an audition for the 14 spots in the contest. There are 21 groups, nine sororities and 12 fraternities vying for the available spots. A panel of three judges will conduct the auditions. The acts will be judged on organization, expression, voice intonation, clarity, creativity and overall appearance.

Olsson said, "The auditions are set up to ensure the quality of the competition because most of the Greek organizations make their pledge class throw together an act."

This year's theme is "Hooray for Hollywood" to commemorate Hollywood's 100th birthday.

Songfest generated \$4,000 last year for the rehabilitation center, Olsson said. Tickets are available at the MSC or from any Chi Omega or IFC representative. Tickets are \$4 in advance and \$5 at the door.

## Burglary rampage of 16 businesses baffles community

WIMBERLEY (AP) — An unusual one-day outbreak of burglaries in this town of 3,100 people may spark interest in a community crime watch program among outraged business owners, one Wimberley resident says.

"I think you're going to find a different attitude around here," said Terre Jacob, executive secretary with the Wimberley Chamber of Commerce, after 16 businesses were broken into early Tuesday.

"People probably are going to be more watchful of each other from now on," Jacob said. "It's going to change community attitudes about caring for our own."

The FBI, Texas Rangers and Department of Public Safety have been called in to help Hays County Sheriff Alford Hohman investigate the burglaries, which included a savings and loan office, a gas station and an assortment of stores and restaurants.

Byron Sage, supervisory special agent in the Austin FBI office, said that he has never seen a series of crimes like this in his 16 years in law enforcement.

The burglaries are believed to have been committed by more than one person, Sage said, but investigators are not certain whether the job was done by professional thieves.

"We're trying to develop as many suspects as we can," Sage said. "Obviously, it was a well-coordinated, well-thought-out effort. This could be a very significant burglary ring or a group of independents that gathered together to target a rural community."

Wimberley is 15 miles northwest of San Marcos in Central Texas.

The 16 break-ins are believed to have begun around 3 a.m., DPS spokesman Mike Cox said.

Burglars apparently tried unsuccessfully to break into two other businesses, authorities said.

The burglars took time to eat pecans at one location.

A \$20 bill that represented the first money made at one business was taken from a frame.

FBI agents are involved in the investigation because of the break-in at

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the Wimberley branch of the First Federal Savings and Loan Association of New Braunfels.

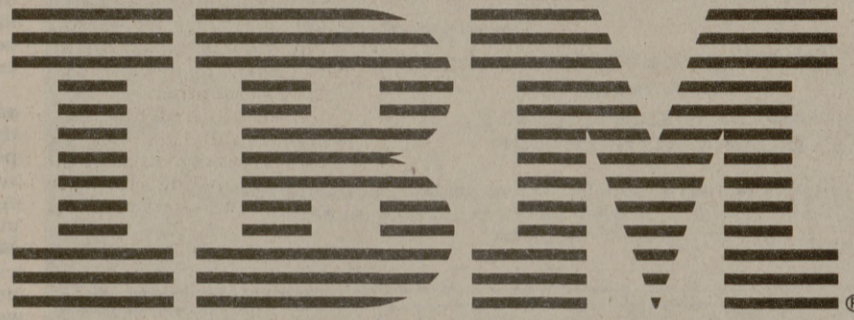
Investigators said the burglars broke into a safe and took an undisclosed amount of cash and valuables.

At first, investigators thought the break-in at First Federal was unrelated to the other burglaries, but later found evidence some of the business burglaries were to get equipment to attack the savings and loan, Sheriff's Sgt. Ed Fletcher said.

Scott Owens, an employee of King Feed and Hardware, said the burglars did not take money at his business but stole several hand tools, including hammers and pry bars that were later found at the savings and loan.

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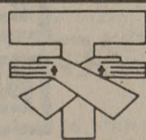
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