

What's Up

Monday

AMU JAZZ BAND: is seeking new members in all sections. For audition and rehearsal information contact Steve Gentry at 693-7413.
STUDENT GOVERNMENT: is now accepting comptroller applications. Information and applications are available in 219 Pavilion, or call 845-3051.
STUDENT GOVERNMENT - EXTERNAL AFFAIRS: Volunteers in Public School Members should pick up schedule cards to work in Bowie Elementary school. Cards are available in 221 Pavilion and must be returned by 5 p.m. Friday.
OPHA ZETA: will have Monday Night at the Movies at 7 p.m. in Kleberg lounge.
INTRAMURALS: Outdoor soccer entries close today and basketball and pre-season basketball entries are available in 167 Read. For more information contact P.J. Miller at 845-7826.
INTRAMURAL BASKETBALL OFFICIALS: will meet at 6 p.m. in 164 Read.

Tuesday

OFFICES FOR JACK KEMP: will meet at 7 p.m. in 402 Rudder.
CATHOLIC STUDENT ASSOCIATION: will meet for a discussion group at 7 p.m. in the All Faiths Chapel.
AMU SAILING CLUB: will meet at 7 p.m. in Rudder Tower. Everyone is welcome.
DATA PROCESSING MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION: will have a membership drive in the lobby of the Blocker building from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and a general business meeting at 7 p.m. in 150 Blocker.
What's Up should be submitted to The Battalion, 216 Reed McDonald, no later than three business days before the desired run date. We only publish the name and phone number of the contact if you ask us to do so. What's Up is a Battalion service which lists non-profit events and activities. Submissions are on a first-come, first-served basis. There is no guarantee an entry will run. If you have questions, call the newsroom at 845-3315.

West Point cadet: Dismissal caused by refusal to haze

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) — A tallest West Point cadet, ranked academically in the top five percent of his class, claimed he has been kicked out of the academy because he refused to haze freshmen.

On Jan. 5, John Edwards, 24, of Westland, Texas, returned to the West Point Military Academy after Christmas leave and was told he had been dismissed.

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—John Edwards

Officials at West Point refused to comment on the circumstances of Edwards' case. But Maj. Bruce Bell, a spokesman at the academy, defended the Fourth Class System as a necessary part of officer training.

"If I'm to become a good leader, I have to learn how to follow," Bell said. "In that first year, we want to provide that transition from high school. It's to develop discipline: that's the Fourth Class System."

Edwards was in the middle of his third year at the academy earlier this month when his tactical officer, Capt. Joseph Martz, informed him he had received a second consecutive F in "Military Development" for not supporting the Fourth Class System.

Military Development is not a course but a grade assigned each semester by the tactical officer based on 12 "leadership dimensions" such as "decision making" and "development of subordinates."

Bell acknowledged that a cadet could hold an excellent academic and disciplinary record but still be dismissed because of "inability to develop militarily."

Bell said students can be dismissed for a number of reasons, including refusal to support the Fourth Class System. "It's not like it's never happened before," Bell said.

Edwards said he was told by the academy's deputy commandant that his dismissal could not be appealed.

"It came as pretty much of a shock," Edwards said. "I had to convince my mother for a few minutes that it wasn't a practical joke. The idea of being kicked out of the academy for not hazing at the plebes seemed pretty radical."

Technically, Edwards remains in the Army until his separation is finalized by the Department of the Army, but he no longer has an obligation to the military.

"I know my chances are slim, but I want to try to get back in," he said.

Unique calendar features highlights in black history

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — Although most people know who Martin Luther King Jr., Booker T. Washington and Jackie Robinson are, they may not be so familiar with the names of Richard Allen, Elizabeth Evelyn Wright or Zora Neale Hurston.

The common thread that links these six people is that they all have been profiled in the Black History Calendar, which has been published annually since 1982 by Aetna Life & Casualty.

The calendar documents many of black history's most significant political, educational, cultural and sports achievements. Valerie Canady and her staff work from March to October each year, compiling 12 profiles and 365 other items in the calendar.

According to Canady, some lesser-known black achievers are included in order to raise people's awareness of not so renowned, but significant, figures. Among them: Richard Allen, founder and first bishop of the African Methodist Episcopal Church; Elizabeth Evelyn Wright, founder of Voorhees College in Denmark, S.C.; and Zora Neale Hurston, author, folklorist and anthropologist.

The calendar contains information ranging from the birthdays of such famous individuals as Lena Horne, Jesse Jackson, Whitney M. Young Jr. and Willie Mays to such lesser-known figures as the first black admiral, Daniel M. Gravelly Jr.; the first black

U.S. Supreme Court justice, Thurgood Marshall; the first black woman federal judge, Constance Baker Motley; and the first black general in the Marine Corps, Frank E. Petersen Jr.

"Among the sources we refer to for material," Canady says, "are the Negro Almanac, the Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture, the Smithsonian Institution, colleges, churches, old books and local libraries."

"Some information is obtained in a matter of minutes, while other items can take days and even weeks."

She says that for the 1988 calendar, her staff spent weeks digging up information for an item on the Tuskegee Airmen, which dealt with black aerial pioneers who broke the segregation barriers and served in the U.S. Army Air Force during World War II.

"The person who knew the most about the Tuskegee Airmen was on location shooting a TV show in an obscure Southern town, and since we were on deadline we had to contact him," she says. "It took some doing but we finally reached him."

The artwork for the calendar was done by Carl Owens, whose works are displayed in private and public collections, in the Smithsonian Institution and in a number of black museums around the country.

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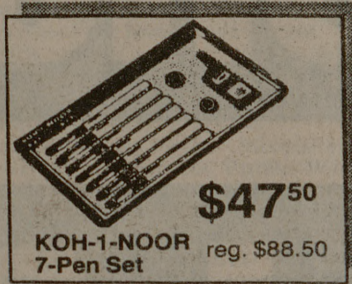
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