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### Office recruits A&M students as big brothers

By Melissa Martin Reporter

The Brazos County Juvenile Services Department has a constant need for male volunteers to serve as big brothers, tutors and detention visi-

The department is looking for any responsible adults to volunteer to work with child and teen-age probationers, volunteer coordinator Joy Sneed said. However, Sneed's pri-mary focus has turned to recruiting specifically at Texas A&M, trying to get both male and female students to participate.

All of the current volunteers are matched with a probationer, Sneed said. Generally, there is always a greater need for male volunteers, because most of the children and teenagers needing companionship

We generally have about 100 kids per month and about 80 percent of those are male," Sneed said.

A big brother serves as a role model and adult friend to a probationer who is between 10 and 17 and is without an appropriate role model. The typical young person on probation has made unwise legal choices and may be emotionally scarred and in need of such a person in which to confide and learn.

A student wishing to volunteer must be emotionally mature and be able to devote at least two to four hours per week for about six months or one semester.

Bob Fuller, a junior electrical engineering major at A&M, has been volunteering as a big brother since

"A big brother gives the kids a friend, someone they can count on," Fuller said.

## Two bankers

ABILENE (AP) - Two former bank officers face up to five years in prison and fines of \$250,000 on each of 36 counts following their conviction on charges they embezzled \$1.3 million from the Abilene National Bank

"We are very pleased to get the verdicts in the case," Assistant U.S. Attorney J. Michael Worley said. "It's something we've been working on for eight years."

Earney, former chairman of

tutors. Sneed said that there is a particular need for students who excel in math, and especially algebra, because that subject is a problem area with most of the probationers.

Detention visitors provide caring support to juveniles in secure custody, Sneed said. Two opportunities are available for people interested in detention visitation. Detention visitors may serve as teacher aides or may participate in discussion

Serving as a teacher aide allows the students to receive more individual classroom attention, she said.

By participating in discussion groups and recreational activities with the juveniles, Sneed said, "They

provide a listening ear." Senior sociology major Jerry Gribble visits the detention center twice a week and he has been a detention visitor for six months.

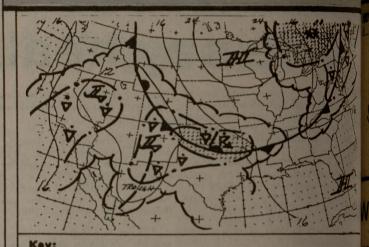
"I help to ease the work load on the detention officers, or I go onto the floor and participate in activities with the kids," Gribble said. "I basically lend support and show the kids that someone cares.

Gribble said volunteering is a rewarding experience. Volunteers can show the kids how to avoid trouble by changing their attitudes and opening their eyes to other opportu-

"The kids are extremely impressionable," Gribble said. "You may not know it at the time, but something you do will rub off on the kids. There is always a chance you can keep a kid from becoming a crimi-

Students interested in volunteering for the summer or fall semesters can contact Sneed at 361-4195.

#### Weather Watch



Sunset Tonight: 7:52 p.m.

- Lightning

Sunrise Saturday: 6:56 a.m.

Map Discussion: The low pressure system and cold front in New England produce mixed precipitation types as the system moves into the Canadian maritime provinces, while surface and upper-level low pressure systems into Southwest and Western states produce scattered showers with some thunderstorms along the frontal boundry. A southerly flow into the Bryan-Cole Station area will bring warm and moist air from the Gulf of Mexico, producing morning stratus and patchy fog.

Today and Tonight: Mostly cloudy through the morning, becoming partycon and warm for the afternoon. High temperature of 84 degrees. Winds southal mph gusting into the upper teens. Partly cloudy, becoming overcast after midnight. Low temperature of 61 degrees with light south winds at 3 to 8 mph. Saturday: Mostly cloudy through the day with a high temperature of 84 degree South winds 8 to 18 mph and a slight chance of showers in the evening.

Weather Fact: Bioclimatology — deals with effects of climate upon manying emphasis on the heat balance of the human body under various conditions temperature, humidity and wind; the effects of radiation, especially nuclear ultra-violet, on genetics and general health; the effects of atmospheric composition and of types and changes of weather and climate on human vigor and disease, and the effects of electrical conditions, including the atmospheric potential gradient and long-wave radiations.

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#### convicted of embezzling

A jury deliberated more than 14 hours before finding Don Earney and James Kington guilty of all charges. Sentencing is sched-uled in U.S. District Judge Jerry Buchmeyer's Dallas court on May

the bank, and Kington, a former vice president, were convicted on several counts each of embezzling money from stock purchase loan transactions, falsifying bank records to hide the true reasons for the loans, causing federally required cash transaction reports not to be filed and aiding and

#### Agents: Few people change flights despite investigation of Texas Air

their flights on Eastern or Continental airlines despite a federal investigation into Texas Air Corp., the carriers'

parent company, travel agents said.

A travel agent for Barry White Travel Agency Inc. in Miami said no one had made travel changes through her office Thursday. No changes were made through Dulaney Travel Agency in Dallas either, agent Crystal

"We haven't had anybody cancel," she said. "Eastern s very strong in Miami. The majority of people take

The Department of Transportation announced Wednesday it would investigate whether Texas Air and its management were "fit, willing and able" to carry

commercial air traffic. The government has investigated small airlines and has revoked the operating licenses of some minor carriers, but analysts say the DOT's new inquiry is the first

involving major U.S. airlines. Industry giant Texas Air has a commanding 20 per-cent of all U.S. air traffic. Continental is the country's

fourth largest airline, while Eastern is the sixth largest. The federal inquiry, added to the company's financial and labor headaches, could drive more passengers

away as Texas Air's tarnished image deteriorates further, analysts say. "That announcement alone is a potential problem to an airline or airline system that can ill afford the public-

ity, given its already well publicized problems — from labor issues, to safety, to Continental's service record," Anthony Hatch of Argus Research Corp. said. Continental has a revenue problem originating from

operations because its costs are the lowest in the busi-"They're not getting enough people on the planes

because they have such a bad reputation, whether deserved or not," he said. "Add this issue and is to quantify the effect on people's decisions. Golds what will happen if the government does inded the control of the they are unfit.

Houston-based Texas Air had record lossed million last year and has an overall debt of around Recent disputes between Texas Air Chairman

Lorenzo and the unions have contributed to a confidence in Eastern, and the investigation will ther damage, said Louis Marckesano of James gomery Scott Inc. in Philadelphia.

In a separate action on Wednesday, the Federation Administration announced a civil penal \$823,000 against Miami-based Eastern becaused curring trends" in connection with safety viola

The fine was imposed just over a year after agreed to pay a \$9.5 million pother safety violations. The latest fine is based on findings from an

tion in September and October, but Eastern 100 opportunity to challenge it. If the airline can evidence the FAA considers valid, the fine considers valid, the fine considers valid, the fine considers valid.

The Barry White spokesman said despite is imposed on Eastern in the past, none of her cash have had any major complaints about the carrier Vivian Mandelstein of Bentley Travel Inte in Houston said she had canceled just one Easter

senger's flight Thursday morning She said since Continental is Houston-based vides non-stop services to most destinations

Houston, many customers still are using the carry "I think Eastern is getting the brunt of the lems," she said.

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