

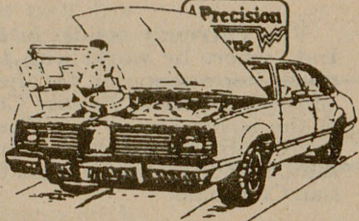
Engine Performance Experts™ High-Tech Service Without The High Price!

Precision Tune Home of The 12 mo./12,000 mi. We do more than fix your car. We GUARANTEE it.™ \$49.90 Tune-Up.

Does Your Car:

- Miss or run rough? Stall Out?
- Hesitate? Diesel; or Try to Keep Running?
- Not Start Easily? Make Strange Noises Under The Hood?
- Guzzle Gas? Need An Oil Change?

Precision Tune
of Bryan • College Station
601 Harvey Rd.
College Station
693-6189
(2 Blks East of Texas Ave.)



Capitol officials stop employees' contest call-ins

AUSTIN (AP) — After thousands of outgoing phone calls knocked the state Capitol phone system out of service, officials have disconnected state employees' attempts to win big dollars from radio station call-in contests.

Carl Stringfellow, the state's director of telecommunications, said the change was made after phone service was disrupted several times by workers trying to get through to a local radio station offering a \$1,000 prize.

"It would shut it down," Stringfellow said. "It essentially left all major agencies with no phone service."

"We thought we had just had an equipment failure. But the second time it went down one of our employees suggested it was at the same time as one of the radio contests."

Officials discovered that the phone failure occurred within a minute of when a local radio station started its contest.

The Capitol phone system has about 14,000 lines, and its usual capacity is about 2,000 calls.

The radio contest bumped the

phone traffic up to 8,000 calls, Stringfellow said.

"I guess the economy is so bad in Texas that everybody is trying to get money," Stringfellow said. "But you shouldn't be using state phones to be calling on to radio contests."

Officials reset the phone system to prevent any calls to telephone numbers beginning with 390, the exchange assigned by Southwestern Bell for radio call-in contests.

"One guy called me raising hell" about the decision to bar calls to the contests, Stringfellow said. "I told him I didn't realize calling game shows was state business."

An official for a state employee organization said there are no plans to contest the decision to prevent contest calls from state phones.

"It's a shame they have to do that," Lane Zivley, executive director of the Texas Public Employees Association, said about the worker's efforts to win money.

"I think there are even more state employees trying to figure out how to get food stamps because they haven't gotten a raise," he said.

NASA investigates alleged fire hazard

FORT WORTH (AP) — A controversial wiring insulation that has been suspected in aircraft fires is the target of a NASA investigation involving Kapton's use in the space shuttle, according to a published report.

Shuttle engineers have been directed to determine whether alternative insulations should be used in the wake of evidence Kapton can catch fire, even in the oxygen-free environment of space, the Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported Wednesday.

NASA officials said Kapton insulation being used aboard the shuttle Discovery, scheduled to be launched from Florida's Cape Canaveral on Sept. 29, would not be affected by the reassessment.

Discovery has been deemed safe to fly with Kapton aboard. Laboratory tests on the insulation were conducted in response to questions from the newspaper in July.

The shuttle launch next week is to be the first flight since Challenger exploded 74 seconds after liftoff, killing all seven of its crew members.

The Challenger disaster on Jan. 28, 1986 was caused by a fuel leak on one of its booster rockets.

Documents obtained by the newspaper show NASA tests performed in Florida showed the insulation can catch fire in a vacuum — similar to conditions in space — and that it can arc and flame at much lower voltage than earlier thought possible.

Johnson Space Center officials said the tests, although initially raising safety concerns, did not reproduce conditions likely to exist during space shuttle flights.

Later tests conducted at NASA's White Sands Test Facility in New Mexico have led the agency to conclude that the potential of a Kapton fire on the shuttle is low enough to be an "acceptable risk," officials said.

But space center scientists asked the shuttle's builder, Rockwell International, to determine if alternatives to Kapton could be found.

They wanted to know if a new material could be incorporated into a shuttle craft now under construction in Palmdale, Calif.

Kapton, made by E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., of Wilmington, Del., is an extremely thin and lightweight material.

It is used extensively in jetliners, military planes and strategic missiles worldwide.

But, unlike other commonly used insulations, Kapton can react violently when exposed to an electrical arc.

The material can carbonize and become a conductor of electricity rather than an insulator, providing a path for the current to flow to adjacent wires in a chain-reaction explosion known as flashover.

Du Pont sells an estimated \$120 million worth of Kapton a year.

The company contends that problems are rare.

The Star-Telegram earlier reported that Kapton-induced fires have occurred in both military and commercial aircraft over the last 15 years.

The world of Japan comes to life in Texas art museum

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) — It's another world at the Art Museum of South Texas right now. You start to feel that as you go in the door and the feeling grows as you pass along the display. Another world. But whose?

The art being exhibited is by the Japanese artist Kazuo Kadonaga, so perhaps this is Kadonaga's world. Except it really isn't, at least not primarily.

You may enter the world of Picasso when you enter a Picasso show, and the same might be said of shows by most other Western artists, but this exhibit, titled "Kazuo Kadonaga: Wood-Paper-Bamboo-Silk," is different. Kadonaga is not so much an artistic "master," like Picasso, as an obedient "servant." The world of this show is primarily that of the world which he serves, which is the natural world.

Here is a great log which Kadonaga has subtly worked upon, but less in the spirit of creating an object than in the spirit of revealing the essence of what already exists. That same spirit prevails in bundles of handmade paper, lengths of bamboo and some of the artist's most famous creations — silkworm cocoons encased in cedar frameworks.

These latter works were among those featured in a December New Yorker article.

Kadonaga is among artists who have been influenced by a movement in Japan that was called "Mono-ha," usually translated as "the school of things." A primary ingredient in the movement was a respect for natural material — and, as practiced by some artists, a respect for the "sacred quality" of natural materials. A precursor of that attitude can be found in the ancient Japanese religion of Shintoism, which features a reverence for divine spirits, "kami," that are believed to inhabit trees, rocks and other features of the natural world.

One of the best descriptions of Mono-ha, which flourished in the 1960s, is contained in a recent article by

What's Up

Thursday

- HISTORY CLUB:** will have an informational meeting at 8:30 p.m. in 302 Rudder.
- AGGIE LEAGUE OF ENGINEERS:** will have a general meeting at 7:30 p.m. in 203 Zachry.
- A&M CYCLING TEAM:** will meet at 7 p.m. to discuss team points criteria in Rudder.
- MEXICAN AMERICAN ENGINEERING SOCIETY:** will meet at 7 p.m. in Zachry.
- INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS ASSOCIATION:** will have a general meeting at 7 p.m. in 601 Rudder.
- DATA PROCESSING MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION:** will discuss campus data processing at 7 p.m. in the University Inn penthouse.
- SOCIETY OF WOMEN ENGINEERS:** will meet at 6 p.m. in 203 Zachry.
- MBA/MS ASSOCIATION:** will have a guest speaker from Conoco speaker p.m. in 114 Blocker.
- BETA ALPHA PSI:** will have a professional meeting at 7 p.m. at the Clayton Williams Alumni Center.
- WICI:** will have a happy hour at 5:30 p.m. at Bombay Bicycle Club.
- ATHEIST, AGNOSTIC AND FREETHINKERS SOCIETY:** will meet at 7 p.m. in 604 Rudder.
- ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS:** call the center at 845-0280 for details on today's meeting.
- NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS:** call the center at 845-0280 for details on today's meeting.
- ADULT CHILDREN OF ALCOHOLICS:** call the center at 845-0280 for details on today's meeting.
- MINORITY ASSOCIATION OF PREHEALTH AGGIES:** will meet to elect officers at 7 p.m. in the lobby of the Medical Sciences Building.
- PRETHEOLOGY SOCIETY OF A&M:** will elect officers at 7 p.m. in the Methodist Church fellowship hall.
- LAREDO HOMETOWN CLUB:** will have an organizational meeting at 7 p.m. at the Flying Tomato.
- UNIVERSITY ART EXHIBITS:** Dr. David Anderson, from the English department, will speak about "The Moral Power of the Image for the Eighteenth Century English Collector," at 7 p.m. in 201 MSC.
- LATIN AMERICAN CATHOLIC STUDENTS:** will meet at 6:15 p.m. at St. Mary's student center.
- CATHOLIC STUDENTS ASSOCIATION:** will discuss "Companions in a Journey" at 6:15 p.m. at St. Mary's student center.
- TYLER HOMETOWN CLUB:** will meet at 7 p.m. in 302 Rudder.
- TAMECT:** will have a team meeting at 7 p.m. in 301 Rudder.
- MSC COLLEGE BOWL:** will have fall registration for intramural tournaments through Friday in 216 MSC.
- PLACEMENT CENTER:** will have an orientation session for all December and August graduates at 2 p.m. in 504 Rudder through Friday.
- THE AGGIELAND:** Freshmen and sophomores may take their yearbook photos through Sept. 23 at Yearbook Associates behind Campus Photo at the gate.

Friday

- FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY STUDENTS:** will have a study at 6:30 p.m. in 704 Rudder.
- PUERTO RICAN STUDENT ASSOCIATION:** will meet at 7:30 p.m. at St. Mary's student center.
- CATHOLIC STUDENT ASSOCIATION/NEWMAN:** will leave for the "Light of the World" retreat at 5 p.m. from the student center.
- TAMU BADMINTON CLUB:** will practice and play the faculty at 7 p.m. in Rolle White.
- NATIONAL SOCIETY OF BLACK ENGINEERS:** Dr. Duncan will speak at 7 p.m. in 607 Rudder.
- ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS:** call the center at 845-0280 for information on today's meeting.

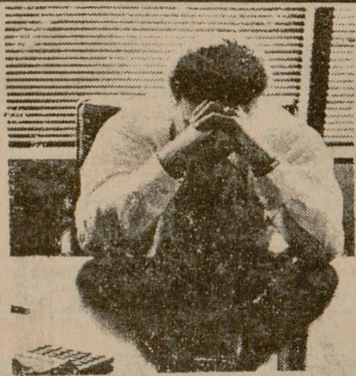
Items for What's Up should be submitted to The Battalion, 216 Reed McCombs, no later than three business days before the desired run date. We only need the name and phone number of the contact if you ask us to do so. What's Up is a Battalion service that lists non-profit events and activities. Submissions 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.

Inch by Inch TANNING

\$10.00 Off

Bring Camptoons coupon and this AD and get a 14 session Tanning Pkg. or \$5.00 off with only this AD

9-8 M-F 3030 E 29th
9-2 Sat. 776-TONE



Is this you at test time? Cramming won't help.

Associated Reading Centers can Double your reading rate in one hour. Benefits include:

- improved comprehension
- increased retention
- study & test taking skills
- more leisure time
- higher grades
- reduce mind wandering

Wed. Sept. 21 or Thurs. Sept. 22 for info call:
4-5 p.m. or 8-9 p.m. (either day) 693-3546
College Station Community Center (713) 690-5343
1300 Jersey (across from golf course) V. Whitener, MA

The only course taught by reading experts. Company with over 14 yrs experience.

\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200
URINARY TRACT INFECTION STUDY									
\$200	Do you experience frequent urination, burning, stinging, or back pain when you urinate? Paull Research will perform FREE Urinary Tract Infection Testing for those willing to participate in a 2 week study. \$200 incentive for those who qualify.								\$200
\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200
\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100
IRRITABLE BOWEL SYNDROME STUDY									
\$100	Wanted: Symptomatic patients with physician diagnosed Irritable Bowel Syndrome to participate in a short study. \$100 incentive for those chosen to participate.								\$100
\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100
\$100	\$200	\$100	\$200	\$100	\$200	\$100	\$200	\$100	\$200
ALLERGY STUDY									
\$100	Individuals with Fall weed Allergies to participate in one of our allergy studies. \$100-\$200 incentive for those chosen to participate.								\$100
\$100	\$200	\$100	\$200	\$100	\$200	\$100	\$200	\$100	\$200
\$300	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$300
ULCER STUDY									
\$300	Individual with recently diagnosed duodenal ulcers to participate in a short research study. \$300 incentive for those chosen to participate.								\$300
\$300	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$300

FREE WEED ALLERGY TESTING

Children (6-12 years) to participate in short allergy study - known allergic children welcome. Monetary incentive for those chosen to participate.

Call Paull Research International 776-6236

Did You Forget

To pick up your 1987 (Fall '86, Spring '87) Aggieland? You can still pick up your copy by coming to the English Annex between 8:30 and 4:30. Bring your I.D.

The 1988 (Fall '87, Spring '88) Aggieland will be available in October. Look for announcements in The Battalion.