

# Old prison gives shelter, fun

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — The old Ohio Penitentiary, an evil place in prison annals of the world for 150 years, apparently is becoming a haven for the homeless and a target for juvenile vandalism since it closed several years ago.

Intruders leave signs of their presence inside the 22 acres of prime real estate surrounded by crumbling stone walls. Some may have been homeless people seeking shelter, or children seeking excitement.

Though they've left evidence of their presence, no intruders have been caught inside the walls that once housed such convicts as Confederate rebel John H. Morgan, and William Sidney Porter, better known

as story writer O'Henry.

State officials try to prevent unauthorized entry to the prison, and a security team checks the buildings and grounds several times a week.

An empty champagne bottle lies in the courtyard. A rusting beer can rests in a holy water font in the prison chapel.

Many windows are broken in the prison and a cold wind blows rain and snow into buildings, contributing to decay. Peeling paint hangs from ceilings and trash is piled in spots.

Mostly the enclosure is left to pigeons that nest on pipes and conduits on ceilings of the cell blocks

and litter the floors with droppings. It is an expensive nest.

The land, just northwest of Columbus' main business district, has been appraised at more than \$12 million.

The Ohio State Penitentiary Development Commission is to decide in the next year what should be done with the site.

The commission was created by the Ohio General Assembly after the Ohio Department of Administrative Services turned down several proposals for the site.

Suggestions have included developing a theme hotel, amusement park and shopping mall among the cell blocks.

# Organize

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way to study, as test grades likely will demonstrate.

Studying need not be difficult, and organizing your time is a large part of keeping the semester under control. Review class notes daily and put important terms on index cards. Review the notes and cards again before the test, and do so in the same

place and at the same time that you've been doing it all semester long. The trick is to work at your out-of-class time as much as your in-class time, as if it were a class in itself. Take it seriously. Later on, employers will take you and your grades seriously.

### FURTHER SOURCES OF INFORMATION

- Concentration Problem Assistance, Student Counseling Services, Third Floor, YMCA Building, 845-1651.
- English Writing Lab, Blocker Building, Room 152, 845-2568.
- Handicapped Student Services, Ramp B, Hart Hall, 845-1637.
- Learning Resources Center (contains class notes, sample labs and supplemental texts), Heldenfels Hall Basement, 845-3781.
- Library Skills Training, Sterling C. Evans Library, 845-5741.
- Math Help Sessions, Milner Hall, Room 003.
- Old Exam Files, Sterling C. Evans Library, 845-5741.
- Reading Efficiency Course, Seventh Floor, Harrington Building, 845-7140.

## Attention!!

Although At Ease and the Attention!! page, a forum for reader contribution, have been discontinued, we still would like to hear from you. We will accept essays, poems, photographs, etc. for possible publication in the entertainment section of The Battalion.

Bring your submissions to Room 216 Reed McDonald.

# INTRAMURAL HIGHLIGHTS

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## FOOTNOTES

- SOA 3 on 3 brackets posted Tuesday, January 24, 3 PM.
- SOA 3 on 3 tournament play Tuesday and Wednesday January 24 and 25, 8:00 PM.
- Preseason Basketball Brackets posted 3 PM Wednesday, January 25.
- Corps Captain's Meeting for Basketball Wednesday, January 25, 6 PM, 167 Read.
- Captain's Meeting for Basketball Thursday, January 26, 5:00 PM, 601 Rudder.
- Preseason Basketball begins Thursday, January 26, 6:00 PM.
- Basketball begins Sunday, January 29.
- Outdoor Soccer petitions due Tuesday, January 31.
- Outdoor Soccer playoffs posted Wednesday, February 1.
- Outdoor Soccer playoffs begin Thursday, February 2.

## SPORTS CLUB ACTION

Bowling organizational meeting: Wednesday, January 25, 8:30 PM, 510 Rudder.  
Wrestling practice has begun. Interested wrestlers may call Robert Rievas at 260-3763 for information or attend any practice from 5:00 - 7:00 PM, Monday - Thursday, 260 G. Rollie White.  
LaCrosse plays Rice Sunday, January 29, 11:00 AM Drill Field.

## UPCOMING EVENTS!

Wallyball Archery Doubles  
Slam Dunk

Don't forget to start organizing your Softball Teams.

## EXERCISE CLASSES

Exercise classes are open to all students, faculty and staff, and their spouses. A recreation ID or student ID is required to participate. All classes must have 10 people in order to be offered. Registration will be held in Room 159 Read Building from January 16 to January 27, 8:00 AM - 5:30 PM, Monday through Thursday; 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM Friday. Late registration will be offered if there are openings in any of the classes. There will be no refunds after February 3. There will be no classes March 13-17. For more information, please contact Paula Opal at 845-7826.

CLASS SCHEDULE	DAY	TIME	ROOM	FEE	CLASS DATES
Intermediate	Mon, Wed. & Fr.	Noon-1PM	266 GRW	\$35.00	Jan 30 - May 5
Intermediate	Tue. & Thu.	5 PM-6 PM	266 GRW	\$30.00	Jan 31 - Apr 27
Beginners	Mon. & Wed.	5 PM-5:50 PM	266 GRW	\$30.00	Jan 30 - Apr 26
Intermediate	Mon. & Wed.	6 PM-7 PM	266 GRW	\$30.00	Jan 30 - Apr 26
Non Impact Power Aerobics	Tue. & Thu.	6 PM-7 PM	266 GRW	\$30.00	Jan 31 - Apr 27

Attend unlimited number of classes for \$45.00! !

### COURSE CONTENT

**Beginners:** This class is designed to meet the needs of people who are planning to start an exercise program. Emphasis is on toning and stretching. The aerobic section is approximately 7-10 minutes long. Perfect for those people who break out in a sweat when they think about jogging one mile.

**Intermediate:** The emphasis is on cardio-vascular endurance and the aerobic section is approximately 15-22 minutes in duration. Warm-up periods and stretching and toning exercises are also included.

**Non Impact Power Aerobics:** This aerobics class will target specific muscle groups through continuous rhythmic movements utilizing one pound weights while maintaining your targeted heart rate. Movements are slow and very non-impact.

# TAMU-OUTDOORS

## BACKPACKING

SAM HOUSTON NATIONAL FOREST February 17-19  
REGISTRATION: January 30 - February 13

Enjoy exploring part of the Texas Big Thicket with piney woods, hardwoods, and spring-fed streams. We consider this the best time of the year to visit Sam Houston National Forest. The \$35 (\$45 Non A&M) fee for this backpacking adventure includes rental of camping gear, backpack, food and experienced guides. This trip is geared for the beginning and intermediate backpacker. Sign up in the Intramural-Recreational Sports Office, 159 Read. For more information, please call Patsy Greiner at 845-7826.

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## IM GAMEPLAN

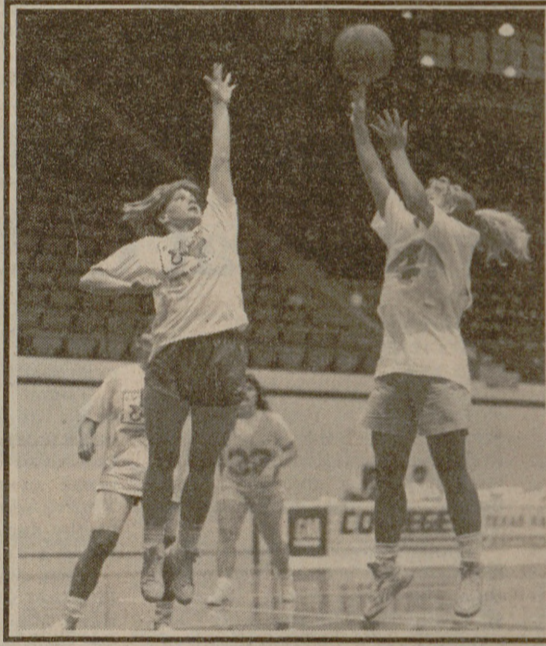
ENTRIES CLOSE: JANUARY 24

**BASKETBALL PLAY BEGINS:** Sunday, January 29. **ENTRY FEE:** \$30.00 per team. **COMPETITION:** Round robin leagues with single elimination play-off tournament for Class A, B, C and D. **DIVISIONS:** Corps, Fish, Men's and Women's Residence Hall, Men's and Women's Independent, Fraternity, CoRec. **CLASSES:** Class A - Highly skilled; Class B - Moderately skilled; Class C - Average skilled; Class D - Beginners. **RULES:** National Federation of State High School Association Rules will be used with Intramural exceptions. **TEAM CAPTAIN'S MEETING:** Schedules will be available at the Team Captain's Meeting on Thursday, January 26 in 601 Rudder. The Corps Athletic Corporal Meeting will be on Wednesday January 25, at 6:00 PM in 167 Read Building.

**General Motors:** General Motors T-shirts will be awarded to the Class B CoRec Champions!!

### PRESEASON BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

**TOURNAMENT DATES:** Thursday, January 26 through Sunday, January 29. **SCHEDULES:** Posted in 159 Read Building after 5:00 PM on Wednesday, January 25. **ENTRY FEE:** \$10.00 per team. **DIVISIONS:** Men's A, Men's B, Men's C, CoRec A, CoRec B, and Women's Open. This will be a single elimination tournament. All intramural rules, policies and procedures will be followed. All games will be played as scheduled. **NO RESCHEDULE!!** The purpose of this tournament is to transport officials. Teams must understand that officials will be in a learning process and perfection cannot be expected. Sportsmanlike behavior will be expected at all times.

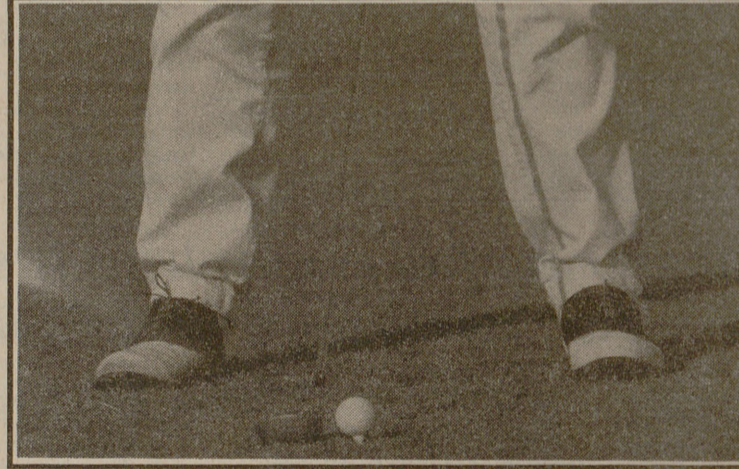


ENTRIES CLOSE : JANUARY 23

**3-ON-3 BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT DATES:** January 24 & 25. **COMPETITION:** Single Elimination Tournament. **ENTRY FEE:** \$5.00 per team. **AWARDS:** The top Men's A and Women's Open team will be given the opportunity to go on to the Schick Super Hoops Regional Championships in Arlington, Texas at their own expense. **RULES:** Intramural 3-on-3 rules apply and will be available in the Recreational Sports Office. **\*\*Enter early because entries will be limited to 32 teams in Men's B, and Men's C and 16 teams in Men's A, Women's Open, CoRec A and CoRec B.**

## GOLF DRIVING RANGE HOURS

The Driving Range located at the Intramural Sports Center is now open for operation Mon-Thu, 3 PM - 6 PM; Fri, 12 PM - 6 PM; Sat, 10 AM - 6 PM; and Sun, 12 noon - 6 PM. Individuals with student ID or TAMU Recreational ID may purchase a large bucket of balls for \$3.00 and



a small bucket of balls for \$1.50. Without an ID, individuals may purchase a large bucket of balls for \$4.00 and a small bucket for \$2.00. Club rental is available. For more information, contact the Rec Sports Office, 159 Read, call 845-7826.

## LOCKER CLEARANCE

Individuals who did not renew their lockers for the spring semester have had their lockers cleared. They may claim their belongings in the Recreational Sports Office, 159 Read. Lockers are currently available for rent at \$12.00 per semester. Recreational IDs for faculty and staff are \$7.50 for the year (not prorated). A faculty staff Intramural validation is \$7.50 per semester. For more information, contact Rick Hall at 845-7826.

### AUTO EXPO

Don't miss the General Motors Auto Expo sponsored by the Sports Officials Association February 7 & 8 at Rudder Fountain 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

## RAINING???

CALL 845-2625 TO SEE IF YOUR GAME HAS BEEN RAINED OUT.

### T-SHIRT DESIGN CONTEST

Entries are being accepted for the Third Annual T-shirt Design Contest. This contest is held to determine an All-University T-shirt design for the 1989-90 school year. All entries must be received no later than 5:30 PM, Tue, Mar 21. All entries must be 12" by 12", black ink on white paper and should include the words "Intramural Champion 89-90" or "All-University Champion 89-90". It is also recommended that "Texas A&M" or the block ATM be included in the design. Entries will be judged by a panel of students, faculty and staff with the entry best depicting Intramural-Recreational Sports University Champions being declared the winner. The winner will be notified April 17 and will receive \$50.00.