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'Great Date' raises \$8,000 Religion (Continued from page 1) by 'auctioning' bachelors Pre-Theology Society, said some students are negative about the courses.

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Twenty of Brazos Valley's most eligible bachelors were auctioned off to screaming women at "Great Date II — Bachelor Auction for MDA" at the College Station Hilton's Sun-dance Club Thursday night.

The only Texas A&M student in the auction, John Curry, received the highest bid at \$310. His date package included a romantic dinner in Houston, a Houston Astros base-ball game and "a night on the town."

Winning bids for the other bachelors ranged from \$55 to \$250.

Radio personality Miss Gwen from KTSR-FM and news anchor Lisa Keyes from KBTX-TV hosted the event

The Muscular Dystrophy Associaion received \$3,000 from bids plus \$5 per person for admission. MDA is voluntary national health agency dedicated to conquering neuromus-cular diseases that affect hundreds of thousands of Americans. According to the program for the event, MDA is funded almost entirely by individual private contributors.

Last year, "Great Date I" raised \$7,000. One bachelor sold for \$895, which included a four-day trip to San Francisco.

The bachelors, 20 to 42 years old, were chosen by MDA committee members and all participants planned their own date packages

Charles Gonzalez, owner of Gold's Gym, removed his shirt and allowed women to feel his bare chest. He went for \$250, the highest starting bid in the auction. His date package included a light workout, limousine to Houston and dinner and optional

overnight stay at Inn on the Park. Lawrence Linhart, 33, a salesman at Dual Fast, also went for \$250. At one point in the bidding he removed his pants and threw them across the

His date package included a champagne balloon ride, brunch at Bombay Bicycle Club, a matinee and a picnic lunch at Central Park.

David Brannon, a 42-year-old physician, went for \$230. His date

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drawn, thus providing a stable ongoing source of funding, he said.

The committee is campaigning for donations to feed the fund through pledge drives and distributing letters of intent specifying a \$40,000 three-year goal.

Photo by Ronnie Montgomery

A member of the audience places her bid at Great Date II, held Thursday night at the Hilton's Sundance Club. Great Date is an event in which eligible bachelors with "date packages" are auctioned off, with proceeds going to benefit the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

zumel for scuba diving, good food and drinks.

A bid of \$220 won Jim Hooker, a respiratory therapist. His date pack-age included a "get to know you" dinner on Lake Travis and a six-day trip to Akumal, Mexico. He also

promised his prospective date a cruise on a 40-foot private yacht. John Houseal, 41, general man-ager of Captain's Half Shell Oyster Bar, displayed his bare chest, shook his rear end toward the crowd and received a bid of \$200. His date package included a weekend in a

This week, during Aggie Muster Awareness Week, the committee also

Rebecca Gillis, co-chairman of the

endowment committee, said the Muster coin is a subunit of the En-

dowment Fund. A percentage of the profit from the coins will be placed

March 1988 and have contributed

The coins became available in

is selling Aggie Muster coins.

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package included a weekend in Co- Galveston beach house with a candlelight dinner on the beach.

> erman, said he agreed to participate in the auction because it's for a good cause and he would have fun doing it.

Thomas, double dating with KBTX anchorman Bryan Mylar, sold for \$90, while Mylar went for \$100. Their date package included pre-date delivery of flowers, a lim-ousine ride with champagne and chocolates, dinner at Frank's Bar & Grill and a jet ride to Corpus Christi for a weekend at Wyndham Hotel.

later the island fell to the Japanese.

ing of the University seal.

uniqueness of Muster

"I received a phone call from a voice that was muffled and clearly an Arabic accent telling me that they were going to cut me up because I had lied about Mohammed," Stadelmann said. He said he had presented three

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course

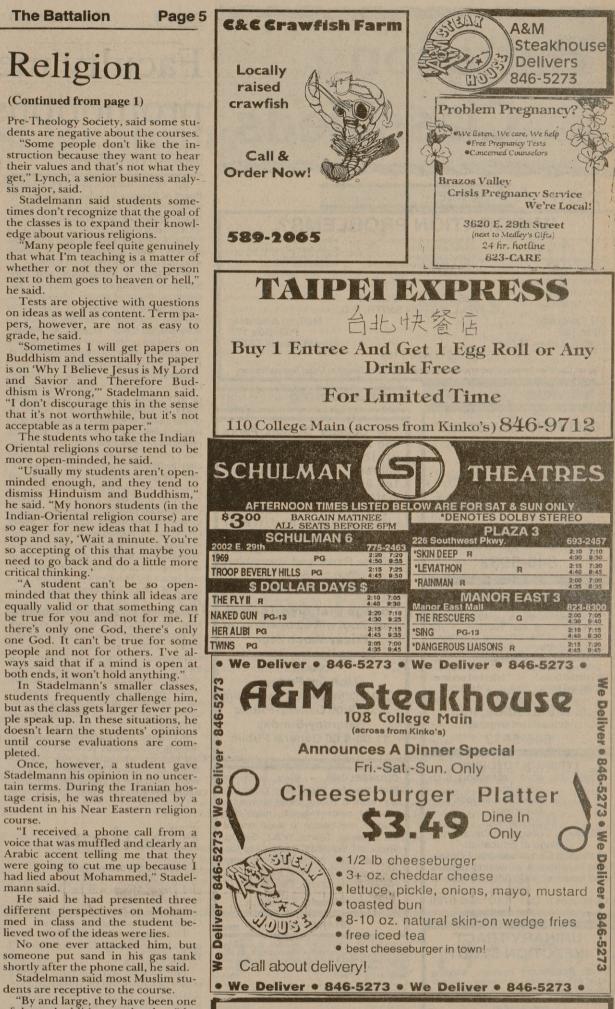
different perspectives on Moham-med in class and the student believed two of the ideas were lies. No one ever attacked him, but

someone put sand in his gas tank shortly after the phone call, he said. Between the two years on the coin, centered in the traditional Stadelmann said most Muslim stu-

block "T", is an inlay of actual comdents are receptive to the course. "By and large, they have been one of the real additions to the class," he memorative soil from Corregidor. The reverse side displays an ingravsaid. Gillis said, "The coins are a signifi-

The demand for religious studies Aggies aware of Muster, and for courses is high. For every person in a many Aggies, the coins serve to em- class, he estimated two or three body the tradition and special couldn't get in.

Lynch said people usually take the



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Bruce Thomas, KBTX-TV weath-

have gone through the (University) archives and mailed letters to former

The committee also is in the process of contacting and speaking to va- ited-edition nickel. rious A&M clubs around the state. Creecy said some clubs are not aware of the cost of Muster.

can donate money over the next three years instead of donating a single sum all at once, thus making con-

significantly to the support of the In hopes of getting donations, we campus Muster ceremony, she said.

the club.

Bearing the inscription "When I students, including former campus am finally alone in the shadow of my leaders, yell leaders and Muster chairmen," Creecy said. "We are in need of their leadership again." the coins are available in limited-edition gold, The communication of the second se silver and bronze and in an unlim-

Etched in the center of the coins is 1883, the year Muster ceremonies began, and 1942, the year Muster Through the pledge drives, clubs gained national recognition. A group of 24 Aggies on the island of Corregidor in the Phillipines held Muster on April 21 while under fire tributions less of a financial strain on during World War II. Fifteen days

"In three years, an endowment committee to raise funds will no longer be needed," he said. "The more in-depth about their religion guarantee the high quality of Muster we're used to having and will ensure class," he said. the perpetual enhancement of Aggie Muster.

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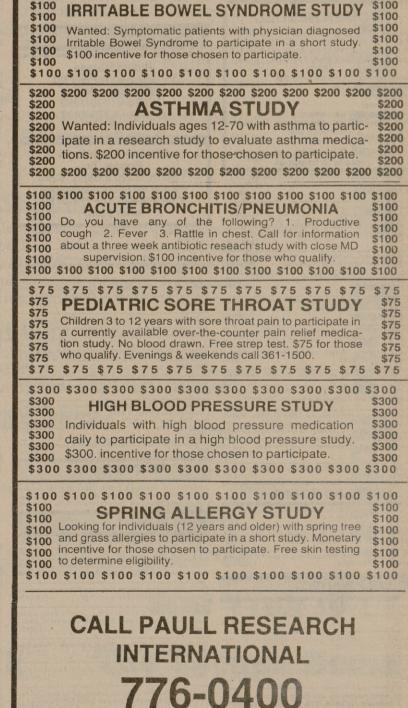
endowment may contact Eileen Kuv-lesky at the Texas A&M Development Foundation at 845-8161. Coins are available in the MSC to-

day. Muster will be Friday April 21 at 7 p.m. at G. Rollie White Coliseum.

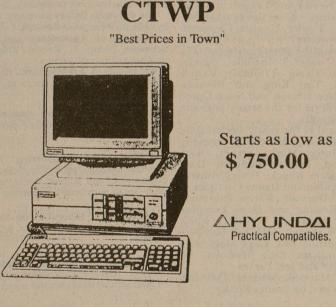
fund should be able to feed upon it- and some people take them because self. The endowment will always they might think they already know the information so it will be an easy

Although he tries to devote equal time to each religion, Stadelmann's Those wishing to contribute to the students inevitably say the time dowment may contact Eileen Kuv- spent on their religion wasn't adequate. This is a pleasing end to the course, he said. "If everybody feels that way, that

we didn't spend enough time on ev-erything, then you are rather satisfied as a teacher," he said.







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