

Friends pay tribute to Haney at Alumni Center reception

Director makes final bow in Aggie Band career

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Col. Joe T. Haney, the man behind the "pulse of Aggieland" for 17 years, was honored by friends, faculty members and students at a reception Tuesday in the Clayton Williams Alumni Center.

Haney, who is retiring as director of the Aggie Band, was showered with praise and gifts from members of the A&M faculty.

Dr. John Koldus, vice president of Student Services and initiator of the reception, presented Haney with a retirement certificate on behalf of the faculty, student body and the administration.

Col. Ray Toler, Haney's replacement for band director who has been at A&M for two years, presented a plaque to Haney on behalf of the Aggie Band. Toler said he and Haney are both from Marlin and have known each other for a long time.

"Haney even gave me trombone lessons when I was younger," Toler said. "I was shocked and honored

when he called me two years ago and asked me to take over his position."

Brent Mullican, a senior economics major from Graham and a member of the band, said the transition from Haney to Toler should be smooth.

"Both of the directors will have different ways of directing the band, but they both have the same goal in mind which is to keep up the Aggie tradition of having a good band," Mullican said.

Gen. Tom Darling listed Haney's accomplishments over the last 17 years. He said Haney has composed seven marches, designed dozens of drills, been awarded with a Music and Sports Award, and was named faculty member of the year.

"I was doing some calculations recently and I figure that Haney has directed the band for over 140 football games, and has played the Aggie War Hymn hundreds and thousands of times," Darling said.

John David Crowe, A&M athletic director, presented Haney with two lifetime tickets to Aggie games and a certificate from the Athletic Department.

Haney said he believes he is leaving the band in good hands.

Extradition begins for Colombian facing drug charges in United States

BOGOTA, Colombia (AP) — Extradition to the United States began Tuesday for an alleged manager of drug money caught in a dragnet cast after cocaine barons killed a judge, police colonel and the leading presidential candidate.

Eduardo Martinez Romero, said to manage funds for the notorious Medellin cartel, faces conspiracy charges in the United States for his alleged role in a billion-dollar money laundering scheme.

Columnist Francisco Santos expressed the public's outrage at the murder of Sen. Luis Carlos Galan, an outspoken foe of the drug lords who was shot down at a rally Friday.

The killing of Galan has to be the

drop that makes the cup overflow" and end the systematic terror that has cowed the Colombian establishment, he wrote Tuesday in the daily *El Tiempo*.

Authorities said the nationwide crackdown on the drug underworld moved forward in its fourth day with more raids and seizures. The country's judges planned to return to their duties, ending a strike called after the judge and police official were killed Thursday.

Extradition of Martinez was seen as a test of the government's new procedure for sending traffickers to the United States for trial, and of its resolve in taking on the cartels.

Drug dealers have been able to

halt effective prosecution in Colombia through bribery, threats and assassination. They fear extradition to other countries, where they do not have such power of intimidation.

Santos wrote in *El Tiempo*: "Don't let the battle decrees against narcotics trafficking remain only on paper, as has happened so many times before. Don't let these crimes remain unpunished as is customary."

Let the country's bloody assassins know that the Colombian state indeed can fight them with energy and will.

Officials said Martinez was being held under strict security at the national police department's judicial investigations division.

A&M groups' donations fund playground fixtures

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The Association of Former Students, the Department of Student Services, the Married Student Apartment Council and University Apartments aren't playing around when it comes to playground equipment for the children in the Married Student Apartments. The four groups recently donated almost \$7,000 for new equipment.

The equipment, most of which was installed in a newly-lit area, consists of a multi-play structure, a climber, a four-way climber and a dome climber.

In a ceremony Thursday to express the residents' appreciation for the equipment, Tim Sweeney, associate director of Student Activities and adviser to the Married Student Apartment Council, said getting the playground equipment has been one of the main goals of the council since last year.

"When I took over as adviser of this group in 1987, the top priority was the playground equipment," Sweeney said.

John Sodalak, manager of the Married Student Apartments, said the Physical Plant helped install the equipment and the University Police Department offered safety advice.

With a backdrop of laughing children, Dr. Don Powell, director of Business Services, cut the ribbon, dedicating the equipment to the apartment complex.

Sweeney said the reactions of the children are even more rewarding than the adults' gratefulness.

"The biggest appreciation is the number of children you can always see on the equipment," Sweeney said.



Photo by Kathy Haveman

Don Powell, director of business services, dedicates new playground equipment to the Married Student Apartments in a ribbon-cutting ceremony. Four A&M groups, the Association of Former Students, the Department of Student Services, the Married Student Apartment Council and University Apartments donated almost \$7,000 for the equipment.

Possible successors named for seat once held by late U.S. Rep. Leland

HOUSTON (AP) — At least 10 people, including four state representatives and two city councilmen, are being mentioned as possible candidates to fill the U.S. House seat held by the late Mickey Leland.

Councilman Anthony Hall, who

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lost in a runoff to Leland in 1978 when the seat was given up by Barbara Jordan, said he is seriously considering running. Hall had been planning to seek re-election to his council post in the Nov. 7 election.

Gov. Bill Clements on Tuesday set Nov. 7 as the special election date to fill the vacancy in the 18th Congressional District caused by the Houston Democrat's death. The six-term congressman was on a famine relief mission with 15 others Aug. 7 when his plane crashed in Ethiopia.

Besides Hall, Houston councilman Rodney Ellis; state Reps. Al Edwards and Senfronia Thompson, both Houston Democrats; and Houston Independent School Board Trustee Elizabeth Spates, who was soundly defeated by Leland in the

1988 Democratic primary, have expressed interest in the special congressional election.

In addition, state Reps. Ron Wilson and Harold Dutton, Houston Democrats, Justice of the Peace Al Green, County Commissioner El Franco Lee and state Sen. Craig Washington, D-Houston, all have been mentioned frequently as possible candidates for the congressional seat.

Only Lee and Washington have told associates they won't run.

If the special election is scheduled

earlier than Nov. 7, Hall could possibly file for re-election at the same time he seeks the congressional seat. But Hall said Monday he probably would not try to be a candidate for both offices even if that were permissible.

Likely mitigating Hall's decision, however, is his longtime ambition to become the first black mayor of Houston. He has told associates he would probably run in 1991.

Ellis, a former top aide and close friend to Leland, also is expected to run.

Election to fill Leland's seat in U.S. House set for Nov. 7

AUSTIN (AP) — The election for the late Mickey Leland's seat in the U.S. House will be on the general election date of Nov. 7, Gov. Bill Clements said Tuesday.

Leland died in a plane crash in a mountainous area of Ethiopia. The six-term congressman was on a famine relief mission when the plane was reported missing Aug. 7.

Among those who have expressed an interest in the 18th Congressional District seat are state Reps. Al Edwards and Senfronia Thompson,

both Democrats from Houston; Anthony Hall and Rodney Ellis, who serve on the Houston City Council; and Elizabeth Spates, Houston Independent School Board trustee.

Others who have been mentioned as possible candidates for the congressional include state Reps. Ron Wilson and Harold Dutton, Democrats from Houston; Justice of the Peace Al Green; County Commissioner El Franco Lee; and state Sen. Craig Washington, D-Houston.

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More than 200 topics given for study to state House committees by Lewis

AUSTIN (AP) — The financial impact of AIDS on public health costs and the possible consolidation of certain counties are among more than 200 topics assigned to House committees Tuesday for study before 1991.

House Speaker Gib Lewis released a list of charges Tuesday to 30 committees, which will report when the Legislature meets in regular session in January 1991. Some of the topics include:

Agriculture and Livestock — economic and marketing strategies to enhance the Texas wine industry; exotic pests and their impact on Texas agriculture.

Appropriations — extent and status of state and local indebtedness; financial impact of AIDS, or acquired immune deficiency syndrome, on public health and hospital costs; feasibility of Medicaid expansion. The Medicaid study will be done in conjunction with Public Health.

Business and Commerce — business climate of inner cities; trade practices and competition in the cable television industry.

Corrections — use, sale and distribution of drugs within state prisons.

County Affairs — possible consolidation of certain contiguous counties.

Criminal Jurisprudence — criminal liability in the savings and loan industry crisis.

Elections — feasibility of placing limits on campaign costs.

Energy — foreign ownership of energy interests in Texas; economic impact, state policy, and criminal liability in oil spills, toxic spills and other environmental accidents. The latter study will be done with Environmental Affairs.

Environmental — status of the "greenhouse effect," acid rain, asbestos and other toxic air emissions.

Higher Education — impact of present and proposed tuition exemptions.

Human Services — "throwaway children" who have been abandoned by their parents.

Judiciary — feasibility of single-member judicial districts in large urban counties.

Labor and Employment Relations — construction safety.

Liquor Regulation — transition of bingo regulator to the Alcoholic Beverage Commission.



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The 13th Man

Athletic Department volunteer Ralph Miller tries to stay cool underneath hot Texas sun

while keeping time for the A&M football practice Tuesday morning at Kyle Field.