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## Designated driver program could save lives

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Partying is great — driving home safely afterwards, however, is often the problem.

But Texas A&M's Center for Drug Prevention and Education hopes a new designated driver program will make homecomings safer for all Bryan-College Station drivers.

The BACCHUS Designated Driver program will begin contacting local businesses in November, Dr. Dennis Reardon, C.D.P.E. coordinator, said.

"We are trying to contact 15 to 20 high-traffic establishments," Reardon said.



ing in the program, Reardon said.

These other schools, he said, also will contact 20 businesses near their campuses to make a total of 400 Texas businesses involved in the program. The hope is to create a network, he said.

"It seems an amazingly large number for such a simple program," Reardon said. "The establishment of a network is the key."

The program, which has been planned for more than a year, received a \$27,000 grant from the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation this month, he said.

Reardon said volunteers will con-

tact businesses and try to establish a relationship with their owners to get support for the designated driver program.

Lynda Sorrell at C.D.P.E. has information on volunteering to contact businesses. Her number is 845-0280.

When people come to an establishment, they can ask if it supports the program, he said. If it does, then the designated driver will get some form of identification, such as a pin, Reardon said.

The business will give free soft drinks and coupons to the designated driver, he said.

"We're dealing with this on two

levels," Reardon said.

First, C.D.P.E. wants people to realize that drunk driving presents danger for all drivers, he said.

"People have a responsibility to themselves and others on the road," he said.

Second, C.D.P.E. wants to educate people on how to reduce alcohol-related injuries and death, Reardon said.

"Drinking doesn't have to be the center of a good time," he said.

## School bus rolls over, injures 25 football players

RUNGE (AP) — A school bus carrying a junior varsity football team to a game overturned Thursday, injuring at least 25 students, with one possibly in serious condition, authorities said.

Several students were taken to Kaiser Memorial Hospital in nearby Karnes City with various injuries following the rollover at about 4:45 p.m., a Karnes County sheriff's spokesman said.

One student was hospitalized in serious condition and two others sustained possible neck and back inju-

ries, Rex St. John, sheriff's dispatcher, said.

He said 20 other students suffered cuts and bruises in the rollover on Texas Highway 72, near the eastern city limits of Runge. The bus was carrying students from Yorktown Junior High School, St. John said.

The Yorktown Independent School District bus was believed to be carrying 35 students, Ronnie Haug, Yorktown High School principal, said.

"Everyone seems to be all right," Haug said.

## A&M Corps will march in Houston before game

Texas A&M Corps of Cadets members will step off at 9:45 a.m. Saturday and march through downtown Houston to show Aggie spirit before the football game against Rice University.

Members of the Aggie Band, Corps Staff, First Wing, Brigade and Regiment and Parsons' Mounted Cavalry will assemble on Main and Clay streets in Houston. The parade will make its way up Main Street, turn right on Texas and continue down Fannin Street.

Maneuver Area Command in Houston.

Cadets will have an informal yell practice prior to the march-by.

In conjunction with the football weekend, the Corps Development Council will meet today in the Doubletree Hotel in Houston to discuss on-going Corps projects.

### Correction

Thursday's *What's Up* reprinted a notice for a September meeting of Aggies for Clayton Williams. *The Battalion* regrets any inconvenience this may have caused.



Photo by Robert Huff

### Halloween hoopla

Members of the Campus Crusade for Christ dressed up in costumes and played slow-motion football in front of Sbsia Dining Hall

Thursday. The game is part of a creative outreach to provide a chance to tell students about the Campus Crusade movement.

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