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(Late contracts will be received through Friday, September 28 with a late fee.)

Neighbors give reasons for suicide

PANTEGO (AP) — An Arlington man who apparently hanged himself from a light fixture in a jail cell here had been depressed in recent weeks, his neighbors said.

Derek Brady, 24, had been arrested on suspicion of driving with a suspended license and evading arrest. Monday, he apparently threaded the ties of a hospital gown he was wearing through the wire mesh of a cell light fixture between the time he was served breakfast at 7 a.m. and a check of prisoners at 8:30 a.m., officials said.

Two of Brady's neighbors, James and Jennifer May, told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram in Tuesday's editions that Brady's girlfriend recently had moved out and that he had been depressed.

"He was talking about it," Jennifer May said of Brady's death. "He just said he didn't feel like living anymore."

The Tarrant County Medical Examiner's Office has ruled the death a suicide, pending a full autopsy and toxicology reports expected later this week.

Brady had been treated at Arlington Memorial Hospital for minor injuries suffered during his arrest Sunday night. He still was wearing his hospital gown when he was booked into the jail, said Doug Davis, director of communications for Pantego police.

Brady had been stopped on a minor traffic violation and at first gave the police officer a false name, then jumped out of the car and ran, Davis said.

Pantego is located about five miles east of Fort Worth.

Police Beat

The following incidents were reported to the Texas A&M University Police Department between Aug. 27 and Thursday.

ASSAULT:
• A student was walking across Joe Routh Boulevard toward the MSC when a vehicle drove within a few feet of him.

The pedestrian made an obscene hand gesture at the driver and kept walking. A few minutes later, the pedestrian was confronted by an individual who shoved him against the south side wall of the MSC and threatened him with bodily injury if he ever caught him making the gesture again. The pedestrian did not want to file charges.

• A man who was hit by an egg Aug. 17, said he was unable to give a description of the assailants or the vehicle they drove. He also said he didn't want to file criminal charges.

ASSAULT/CRIMINAL MISCHIEF:

• A man reported he was assaulted by a Hispanic male outside McInnis Hall.

The complainant said he was pushed and knocked off balance by the front tire of the motorcycle the suspect was driving. A short time later the suspect returned on foot and verbally and physically assaulted him. The man then knocked the complainant's bicycle off a bench and damaged it.

Later in the day the suspect was contacted by a UPD officer. The alleged assailant gave a different account of the incident. He stated the bicyclist verbally assaulted him and also tried to turn his motorcycle over because he was riding on the sidewalk by McInnis Hall.

DISTURBANCE:

• A large group of residents from Law and Puryear Halls engaged in a small scuffle on the way back from "All-University Night." A resident adviser separated the group prior to the arrival of officers.

FELONY THEFT:
• A 1981 Suzuki IS 250 motorcycle was stolen from the Coke Street parking area.

HARASSMENT:
• Three students reported receiving harassing phone calls.

DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED:

• Two people were arrested for driving while intoxicated and jailed in the Brazos County Jail.

PUBLIC INTOXICATION:

• A Houston man was jailed for public intoxication after a UPD officer saw him lying on the hood of a vehicle in Parking Area 56 at 1:29 a.m.

MISDEMEANOR THEFT:

• A maroon Eastpak backpack was stolen from a locker in Sbis Dining Hall. Contents included \$125, a wallet, sunglasses, books and other personal items.

• A woman reported she left a room at the Heep Center at 3 p.m., and when she returned at 4 p.m., she was approached by a friend who had found her wallet and discovered \$1 and some loose change had been taken.

• A woman who reported her wallet was stolen Aug. 6 from the Biological Sciences Building West, told UPD the wallet and all contents had been returned to her Aug. 7.

• Three bicycles were stolen from areas around campus.

• Three people in the CE/TI Building said \$3.35 in cash was taken from their desks in two rooms of the CE/TI Building.

Fetal surgery saves infant lives in womb

DALLAS (AP) — A Texas woman whose infant daughter was one of only a handful of infants to survive experimental fetal surgery said she will campaign to make the procedure more visible.

"I don't think a lot of people know about this, not even some doctors," Teri Alexander, 30, of Burleson, said. "We need to get the word out so that other expectant mothers facing the same problem can have the same choice."

"I would tell another mother to do it for her baby. I know it's painful, but it's all worth it."

Alexander's daughter, Faith Nicole Alexander, was born 2 and-a-half months premature Aug. 5 at a Fort Worth hospital, a month after undergoing experimental surgery while in her mother's womb.

Faith became the third infant to survive the procedure, which was performed at the University of California Medical Center in San Francisco. Six others did not survive.

The surgery corrected a rare and often fatal prenatal defect known as congenital diaphragmatic hernia,

which causes the stomach and intestines to crowd the heart and lungs.

The defect occurs in about one in 2,220 fetuses. A newborn with the defect has about a 25 percent chance of survival and usually suffers serious complications.

Lora Scott, 26, of Tacoma, Wash., said she also agrees the surgery needs to become more well known.

"I'm glad I went through it, and I want to pass the word too," said Scott, whose daughter underwent fetal surgery March 3. Hers was the second successful fetal operation in the United States.

Alexander said her happiness will be complete when her daughter is allowed to come home. The baby, who weighed 3 pounds, 2 ounces at birth, is expected to remain hospitalized at Harris Methodist-Fort Worth hospital for another six weeks.

"I went to the hospital on Wednesday, and I held her in my arms," Alexander told the Dallas Morning News in Tuesday's editions. "It was very emotional."

The Alexanders are remodeling a room for the baby.

Act Now

The Texas A&M University Police want students to know it is naive to think the on-campus community is a safe environment.

The following are tips that can reduce the chances of becoming a victim of a property or violent crime:

• Never prop doors open. This is usually how criminals gain entry to a residence hall.

Any time the outside doors to the residence hall are unlocked or illegally propped open, no one can regulate the traffic into the hall. Small pebbles, coins, paper racks and pizza boxes, or any object used to leave the door uncured, could lead to disciplinary charges and even eviction from a hall.

• Never let strangers into the hall. Phones are outside each hall for visitors' use.

• Lock your door even when you are only gone for a short time.

• Do not give anyone the keys to your room or hall doors.

• Report strangers to the hall staff and the police.

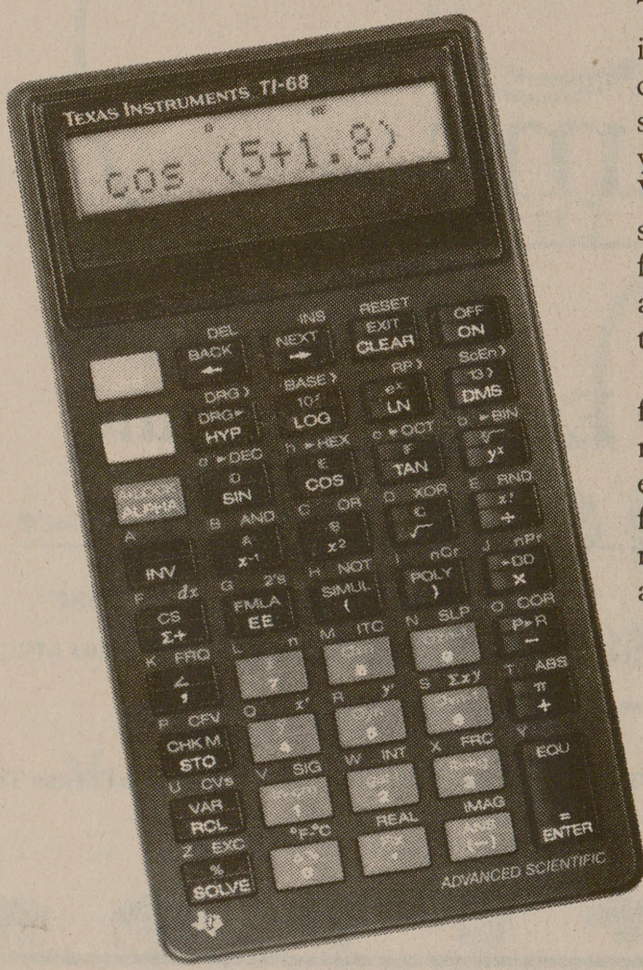
• Report any obscene or irritating phone calls to a staff member and the University Police Department.

• Report suspicious activity immediately to UPD. Remember clothing, height, weight, direction of travel and license plate number. These are important to apprehend offenders.

If you have questions concerning residence hall policy, talk with your resident advisers. For crime prevention information, contact the UPD at 845-2345. For emergencies on campus, call 9911.

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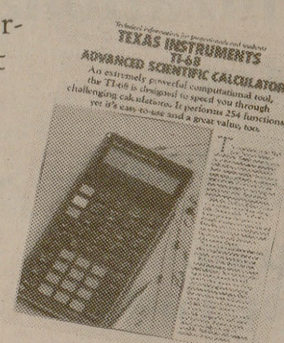
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TEXAS INSTRUMENTS

Three teens found stabbed, hit by train

LAMPASAS (AP) — Three Brazos County teen-agers found dead along a railroad line apparently were fatally stabbed before being hit by a train, authorities said Tuesday.

A preliminary autopsy report showed the two boys and a girl had been repeatedly stabbed and were dead prior to being struck by a Santa Fe Railroad train early Sunday.

A Lampasas County Sheriff's Office spokeswoman, who declined to be identified, said Tuesday afternoon that complete autopsy results had not been received.

The victims were identified as 15-year-old Christopher Kelsey Hagerman, of rural Bell County, and two 16-year-olds from Copperas Cove, Joshua Post and Manessa Fawn Cartwright.

The three were last seen alive around 4 p.m. Saturday in Kempner, Lampasas County Sheriff's Office spokeswoman Alma Van Winkle said.

Santa Fe engineers noticed the bodies about 12:35 p.m. Sunday, eight miles east of Lampasas.

Authorities said the three were hit by a train that passed through the area traveling west around 4:30 a.m. Sunday. The bodies had been hurled a considerable distance from the tracks.

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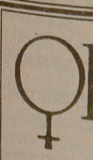
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