

Response

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you are attacking," Ramirez said. Dudley Woodard, vice president of student affairs and immediate past president of NASPA, said some reasons for the increase in racism can be discovered by studying recent history. He said years of community spirit, or a group working toward a common goal, have been replaced by a decade of "hopeless" greed. "The selfishness and greed taught to the present generation can be viewed as one of the major reasons for the re-emergence of racism," Woodard said. He said although there is no such thing as new racism, people are only now recognizing some of the new types of bigotry not considered before. "Psychological violence and the omission from the group are only

two of these 'new' elements," Woodard said. He also said the desire of ethnic minorities to maintain their cultural values has increased racial tensions. "Not all of these changes are bad," he said. "When people are trying to gain self-respect and independence, there often is conflict." Woodard added that job competition and changing demographics also constitute some reasons for the rise in racism. "A lot of groups do not understand these changes, especially white males," Woodard said. "To reduce misunderstanding, we need to help these groups and educate them to the reality of the situation." After a quick exchange among the panelists, the group began to discuss the limits of free speech, arguing that this constitutional right only ex-

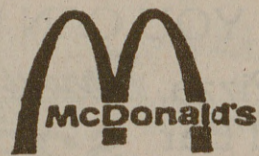
tends so far. "How far does the freedom of expression go?" Ramirez asked. "Does it carry over to where you could hurt someone? I don't think so." Woodard agreed and added that when the intent of expression is meant to harm someone, that expression should not be protected by the Constitution. Robert O'Neil, founding director of the Thomas Jefferson Center for the Protection of Free Expression and a former president of the University of Virginia, said universities now need to address the problem of racism by using education. O'Neil said colleges have taken three basic approaches to handling the problem. One action would be to amend the university's present "anti-discrimination" codes, he said. Drafting a "fighting words" policy is another possibility. O'Neil said universities also could follow the action

taken by the University of Texas and create an "emotional distress" policy. O'Neil said, however, these codes could not cover every racial situation, and they might do more harm than good. He said universities need to stress education above all other means to address the situation. "We need to educate our students about racism," O'Neil said. "These codes are often inadequate and might cause some groups to harbor resentments toward another ethnic minority." Ledbetter strongly opposed O'Neil's approach to handling the problem, saying she believed codes are essential. "Without some type of reinforcement, nothing can be accomplished in respect to racism on campus," Ledbetter said. "I understand these codes are not cure-alls, but in some way we must make people accountable for their actions."

She said she does not believe these codes were restrictive or unconstitutional. Ledbetter also said she believed these regulations should be applied to everyone, not only majority groups. "We have applied this principle (of codes) to the business world with legislation," she said. "We should carry on these ideas to the university realm." Ledbetter said universities and colleges should act now to solve this problem before state or federal agencies force the academic world into accepting rules from the outside. "We at the university understand how we can best address this problem," Ledbetter said. "Let us not wait to have others do this for us. We should be leaders, not followers." Fear of legal battles should not stop universities from standing up and stating what they believe, Woodard said.

Ledbetter said in spite of the increase in racism across the United States, she is optimistic. "Often tension is constructive," Ledbetter said. "I think we'll see this in the 1990s." In his closing statement, O'Neil may have expressed the central theme of the debate. "No one wants to limit free speech," he said. "But no one wants to tolerate the type of speech that has been used to create this situation." Several video tape copies of the teleconference have been made and are available at YMCA 110 in Student Services office. Following the broadcast, representatives from A&M formed a panel to discuss racial problems encountered at A&M. They also discussed A&M policies regarding racism on campus.

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This Week's Game Plan

Mon., October 8

☐ **Entries open** for Track Meet, Punt, Pass & Kick and CoRec Indoor Soccer. Registration for these events begins at 8:00 a.m. in 159 Read Building.

Tues., October 9

☐ **Entries close** for Field Goal Kicking, Golf Doubles, and Pickleball Singles.

☐ **Sport Club Meeting** tonight at 6:00 p.m. in 164 Read.

Fri., October 12

☐ **Golf Doubles and Pickleball Singles** brackets posted this afternoon at 1:00 p.m.

CLUB NOTES

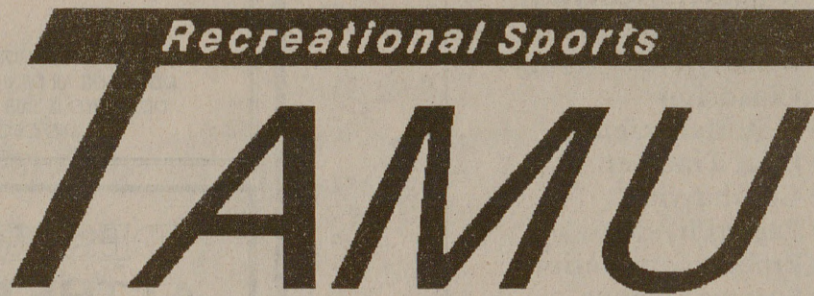
The 2-time defending TCSL champion and 1989 national club finalist **Texas A&M Men's Soccer Team** continues its quest for their **third consecutive crown** on Sunday, October 14 at 2:00 p.m. versus Stephen F. Austin State University at Central Park. For more information, call 696-3642.

The **Texas A&M Judo Team** opened their fall season with a **first place victory** in the Corpus Christi Bay Festival Judo Tournament. The Aggies brought home the overall championship with 18 points while the second place team finished with 10 points.

Bob Perez took 1st place and Justin Barger took 2nd place in the 132 pound class. Josh Faddis took 2nd and Juakin Kethbaw took 4th in the 156 pound class while Joe Corrales took 2nd in the 156 pound novice class. Hiram Hodges took 2nd and David Schmidt took 3rd in the 172 pound class. The Aggie Judo Team will travel to Uvalde, Texas to participate in the Annual Cactus Jack Invitational next week. For more information, contact Bob Perez at 693-8811.

SPORT CLUB ACTION THIS WEEK

Date	Club	Time	Location
Sun., Oct. 14	Men's Soccer	2-4 p.m.	TBA
Sun., Oct. 14	Women's Soccer	11am-1pm	East Campus



OFFICIALS WANTED

Interested in becoming an Intramural Official? There are only two events left for this fall: CoRec Indoor Soccer and Flickerball. Those interested are invited to attend the respective Officials Meetings. The CoRec Indoor Soccer meeting is Oct. 8 at 6:00 p.m. in 164 Read. The Flickerball meeting is Oct. 15 at 6:00 p.m. in 164 Read. For more information, please call the Recreational Sports Office at 845-7826.



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ATTENTION FLAG FOOTBALL TEAMS

Flag Football playoffs will be posted on Monday, Oct. 15th.



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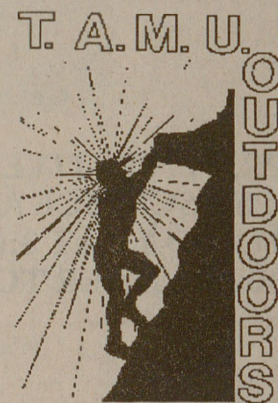
Only those games played prior to Friday, Oct. 12th will count towards seeding for the playoffs.

Playoff petitions are still due on Friday, Oct. 12th.

Playoffs will start on Thursday, Oct. 18th. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

TAMU OUTDOORS

Registration for the following events are now being taken in the Recreational Sports Office in 159 Read Building. Participants must pay for the trip at the time they register. For more information about TAMU Outdoors trips call Patsy Kott at 845-7826. ■



Canoe the San Marcos: The San Marcos River is spring-fed and remains a constant 72 degrees year round. Enjoy spending the weekend paddling the scenic Texas Hill Country River with TAMU Outdoors on October 20-21. The \$40 (\$45 for non-A&M) fee for this weekend adventure includes rental of canoe, camping equipment, camping permits, shuttle costs, instruction while on the river and experienced guide. This trip is offered for beginning and intermediate canoeists and is limited to 12 participants. Registration continues this week and lasts until October 15.

Intermediate Kayaking Workshop: This workshop is for those who have taken the beginner's weekend and caught the kayaking bug! The trip is designed for maximum practice in whitewater paddling to perfect your strokes and roll, eddy turns, ferrying, river reading, route selection, and river safety skills. The class will be taught by American Canoe Association certified instructors. The \$60 (\$65 for non A&M) fee for this workshop includes transportation, camping equipment, camping permits, and experienced instruction. Sign up now because class size is limited. Registration begins today and lasts until October 22. The trip is scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, October 27-28.

Cozumel in December: Join TAMU Outdoors on an end of the semester trip to Cozumel. The trip includes airfare, 5 days/4 nights lodging, Mexican hotel tax, 10 Dive package includes three two-tank boat dives, night dives, unlimited beer, diving, tanks and weight belts. Cost for the trip is \$420 for A&M and \$445 for non A&M. The Dive package costs \$520 for A&M and \$545 for non A&M. Registration for registration ends October 31 and the trip is limited to 8 participants.

Downhill Skiing in January: Back country ski the powder of the St. Paul, which is located in the San Juan Mountains between Silverton and Ouray, Colorado. The St. Paul is a comfortable inn complete with kerosene lamps, woodburning stove and sauna. All you need to bring is yourself and a few personal items. For \$405 (\$445 for non-A&M), this adventure includes transportation, lodging, food, all equipment, instruction and guides. The trip is limited to 13 participants and is scheduled for January 5-12. Registration has already begun and lasts until November 1.

COMING UP

Registration for the following activities ends Tuesday, October 16

Track Meet No Entry Fee Contest Date: TBA	Punt, Pass, & Kick No Entry Fee Contest Date: Oct. 21	CoRec Indoor Soccer \$30.00 per team Play Begins: Oct. 21
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Registration for the following activities will be taken Monday, October 15- Tuesday, October 23

Flickerball \$20.00 per team Play Begins: Oct. 29	Racquetball Doubles No Entry Fee Brackets Posted: Oct. 26
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