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 "How has (Israel) historically been able to scoff at the world community? By and large, my friends, the short answer is: by efforts of the United States and its government."  
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# The Battalion

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## Pro's, cons of stealth bomber debated

By Mike Luman  
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The Stealth bomber is an expensive but necessary addition to U.S. defenses, the vice president for LTV aircraft product group's B-2 program said Thursday at Texas A&M.

Henry Spence, a former B-2 chief engineer, said stealth-type aircraft proved their usefulness

in the Persian Gulf war by destroying a higher percentage of targets than conventional planes.

He said F-117A aircraft, an earlier stealth design that made up two percent of U.S. planes in the Middle East, hit 31 percent of the targets in Iraq.

"Not a bullet hole in them," Spence said. "That's the value of stealth. That's why they are worth the money."

He estimated the cost of invisible-to-radar Stealth bombers at \$400 million each. Opponents of the bomber, however, tack on additional costs that raise estimates as high as \$800 million a plane, he said.

The B-2 program cost is \$60 billion, he said.

Dr. Jonathan Nagler, an A&M assistant professor of political science, called the Stealth bomber an effective but non-essary weapon.

"It's not a technical question, it's an economic one," Nagler said. "It doesn't make sense to spend \$60 billion when you can spend \$6 billion and get the same thing."

He said stealth cruise missiles would cost a fraction of B-2 bombers and be just as effective.

He also said non-stealth allied

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## Good Friday 'walk': State honors holiday

In accordance with a resolution passed by the Legislature and signed by Governor Richards, most Texas A&M University and Texas A&M University System operations will close at noon today in observance of Good Friday.

Texas A&M classes will be adjourned and most University, System and agency offices and departments — with the exception of units providing safety and other essential services — will close, beginning at noon.

Employees who remain at work to provide critical services between noon and 5 p.m., the official holiday period, will be allowed time off at a later date.



KARL STOLLEIS/The Battalion

Stephen Ruth, a junior business administration major, is congratulated by friends and supporters after being named Student Body president for

the year 91-92. Ruth won the position by 50.09 percent. Ruth said he will begin installing his new cabinet at Tuesday's executive council meeting.

## Victory by narrow margin Ruth wins presidency

By Greg Mt. Joy  
*The Battalion*

Stephen Ruth won the race for Student Body President Thursday night, narrowly avoiding a runoff in the three-man race by capturing 50.09 percent of the votes.

Ruth, a junior business administration major, clinched the victory by one of the narrowest margins in recent history.

Currently executive assistant to the Student Body President and Corps senator in the Student Senate, Ruth said he will begin installing his new cabinet at next Tuesday's executive council meeting.

"We're going to work with the current administration to set up the new one," he said. "I'll lay down my personal goals, and take their advice on how to set up best for next year."

Ruth said he hopes his election will inspire Corps of Cadets members to get involved in other organizations and to find out what the rest of the University has to offer.

"I hope I can encourage all Aggies, not just the Corps, to get involved in the kinds of things at A&M that will matter to the world tomorrow," he said.

"My platform isn't something I studied," he said. "It came from my heart. It is about the things that mean the most to me, and the voters got it."

Voters cast 2,128 votes for Ruth, while the other candidates for Student Body President, Charles Phipps and Scott H. Hantman, received roughly 40 percent and 10 percent of the vote, respectively.

In other voting, the hotly debated proposal for on-campus cable passed with 68.53 percent of the student votes.

The ballot for senior yell leader was a close one, with Kelly Toney edging out Shawn Roberts for the third position by less than 2 percent of the vote. Kerry Cox led the voting receiving 28.29 percent and Trenton Kelley followed with almost 26 percent.

Tim Isgitt was elected junior yell leader, capturing 26.28 percent of the vote. Ronnie McDonald clinched a similar victory, becoming probably the first black yell leader in Texas A&M history. As of early Friday morning, The Battalion could not confirm if there has been another black yell leader.

Results from other student voting include:

□ Jana Terry and Kathy Hopkins will compete in a run-off next Tuesday for President of the Residence Hall Association. Winners of other RHA races were: Lori Lyn Peterson — vice president of operations, Angie Saylor — vice president of development, Bobby Barrett — secretary and Tracy Dellinger — treasurer.

□ Warren Talbot will be the next president of Off Campus Aggies. Other OCA officers will be: vice president Deborah O'Brian, secretary Joey Zapata and treasurer Susan Woodley.

□ Incumbent Class of '92 President Jennifer A. Collins, who ran unopposed, will retain her position; vice president — run-off between Heather Casteel and Hunter Floyd; treasurer — Jenn Darr; secretary — run-off between Heather Scogin and Kristi Lorson; social secretary — Terri Welch.

□ There will be a run-off between Jennifer Cheatham and Bill Benker for Class of '93 president; vice president — Chris Sanders; secretary — Anne Pf-

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## Campus bicycling changes await approval

By Troy D. Hall  
*The Battalion*

Registering bicycles soon could be easier if a proposed pamphlet is reviewed and approved by Texas A&M's Student Government Executive Board and the Department of Parking, Transit and Traffic Services.

"The pamphlet informs students about how to register their bicycles and makes it easier," said Stephen White, Student Government special assistant for PTTS.

The proposal, however, does not stop with the pamphlet.

Under the present registration system, students must go to department offices to fill out the registration form, but the propo-

sal recommends conducting the registration process through the mail.

White said the proposal has not been reviewed by either Student Government or the parking department, but the bike lane committee believes the pamphlet will provide convenience, as well as educate campus bicyclers.

The proposed pamphlet is divided into four sections, including a map of bike lane routes and bike racks, he said.

Each section of the pamphlet informs a bicyclist about Texas state bicycle laws, University rules and regulations, security tips and the new registration system.

"The student bike lane committee was formed to show PTTS our concerns with the campus bike lane system," he says. "We make recommendations that will comple-

ment the formal bike lane system."

White said the committee has included other recommendations concerning the bike lanes.

The committee proposes properly labeled signs for bike lanes, new bicycle racks and maintenance of the lanes. The committee believes these recommendations will make riding bicycles at A&M more efficient and safe.

"It will be weeks before the proposal will be all hammered out," he said.

But White said he hopes the pamphlet and recommendations will be ready for the fall semester.

If approved, the pamphlets will be sent with parking permits to freshmen and will be made available at several locations on campus.

## Multicultural services awards commitment to diversity

By Katherine Coffey  
*The Battalion*

Texas A&M's Department of Multicultural Services had its first "Awards for Commitment in Diversity" Thursday as part of "Celebrate Diversity Week" to honor individuals who have helped multiculturalism at the University.

"We wanted to take the opportunity to award people who have encouraged diversity and have been doing so much for our campus the last three years," said Bonne Bejarano-Sandars, student development specialist for the Department of Multicultural Services.

Bejarano-Sandars, who orga-

nized the diversity week and awards reception, said when the department first started it was doing what it could for the University. Once others became involved with the diversity program, they grew large enough to be able to have the ceremony, she said.

When choosing the recipients, multicultural services based the awards on nominations made from individuals and various departments. Five people and one organization were chosen from the nominee list.

"We wanted to take this opportunity to thank people who have made the department a success because otherwise we couldn't do it alone," Bejarano-Sandars said.

"The Department of Student Affairs pretty much swept the categories and most of the recipients were from that department," she said. "This is indicative of the commitment that student affairs has to diversity."

The six recipients include Pamela Osby, a senior economics major, for the Student award; Jora Odom, academic adviser for the athletic department for the Professional Staff award; Sandra Mitchell, secretary for the Office of Student Development and Multicultural Programs, for the Support Staff award; Dr. Marilyn Kern-Foxworth, associate professor in the Department of Journalism, for the Faculty award; Ron Sasse, director of the Department of Student Affairs for

the Administrator award; and the Aggie Orientation Peer Program for the Student Organization award.

Kern-Foxworth said she was surprised and glad about receiving the award. She said it shed more light on diversity.

"This goes hand in hand with President Mobley because he has set the precedent for talking about diversity on Texas A&M's campus, and the awards complement and perpetuate what he has started," Foxworth said.

"There's a lot of emphasis that has been placed on diversity, and every facet of American society is going to have to make adjustments because of the

changes made in the make-up of the American population," she said.

Mitchell said she was shocked and didn't expect to get the award.

"I'm so excited, and it's a good feeling to know you're appreciated," Mitchell said. "It's good to see that diversity is here and that people are working hard to make others aware."

Bejarano-Sandars said the department gave six awards this year, but next year they might expand to include a graduate-school level award category.

"We know we've reached people about diversity who we haven't before by the people who have been attending the

programs this week," Bejarano-Sandars said.

Besides the awards assembly, multicultural services has sponsored other events in conjunction with the "Celebrate Diversity Week."

Other events include two programs today:

□ Voices of Praise will perform at 12:30 p.m. in the MSC Flagroom and a Chinese flute playing performance will be at noon.

□ The final event of the week is the Committee for the Awareness of Mexican American Culture (CAMAC) Theater Production, at 7 p.m. Saturday in Rudder Theater.

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Right: The crowd at 311 Club celebrates in a little dapper with a George Bushes' slogan