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A&M football player dies

By Scott Wudel
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Texas A&M football player James Glenn died Wednesday from apparent heart failure after collapsing at Kyle Field.

Glenn, a freshman walk-on placekicker from League City, collapsed before the start of Wednesday's practice. He was then rushed to Humana Hospital where he was pronounced dead at 4:20 p.m.

He received immediate attention from the A&M training staff before being transported to Humana, said A&M team physician Jesse Parr. Most of the A&M team had not arrived on the field at the time of the incident.

Cardiopulmonary resuscitation was performed on Glenn for 30 minutes at the hospital before he was pronounced dead. An autopsy will be performed to determine the exact cause of death.

Sources at Humana indicate the possible cause of death was a pulmonary embolism - the clotting of a blood vessel in the lungs that causes an obstruction of one or more pulmonary arteries. The obstruction leads to a shortness of breath or chest pains, and



James Glenn

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Student Senate to determine guidelines for allocation of fee

By Karen Praslicka
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The Texas A&M Student Senate will set guidelines for how money from a new International Education Fee will be spent, but there is a possibility students will be able to vote on the fee before it goes into effect.

The \$1 fee was approved by

the Board of Regents, but there was no specification for student approval.

David Brooks, speaker of the Senate, said the fee might be on a future student referendum before it appears on student fee statements.

The issue of the student vote was considered at a meeting between Student Senate members and Robert Smith, vice president for finance and administration.

The International Programs Coordinating Committee proposed the following guidelines for allocation of the fee money:

- 90 percent of the funds collected be used for study abroad programs for A&M students, and
- 10 percent be used for scholarships for international students to study at A&M or other institutions.

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Commandant disbands Cavalry

By Liz Tisch
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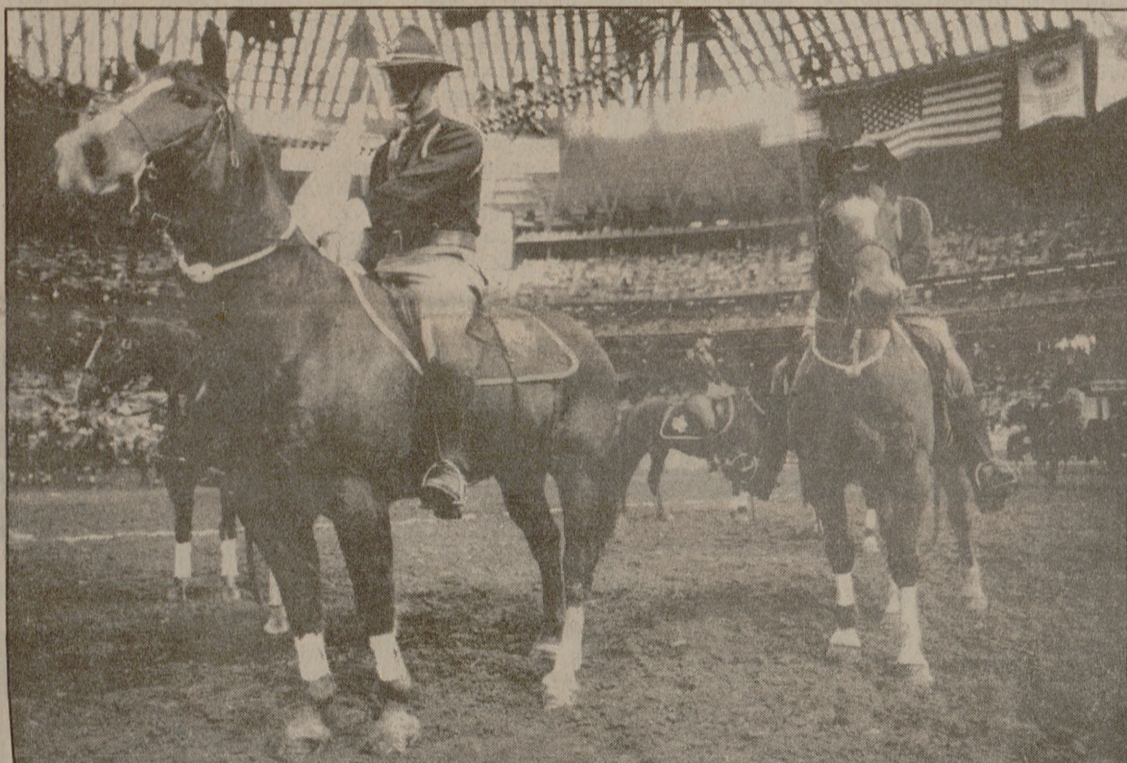
The Texas A&M Parsons' Mounted Cavalry has been temporarily discontinued as a result of a female cadet's report that she was attacked after applying for membership in the organization.

In a University press release, Maj. Gen. Thomas Darling, commandant of the Corps, stated that "effective immediately and until further notice, Parsons' Mounted Cavalry operation is discontinued except for essential functions."

These functions include care and feeding of the Cavalry's horses. Darling said even those who participate in those activities will be closely supervised by the unit's adviser.

Darling said the cavalry's fate depends upon certain conditions that must be met by the cadets:

- A statement in writing and approval in advance concerning the unit's mission, organization, training program and standards.
- The Approval of active membership by appropriate authorities.
- Assurance by cadet leadership that the principles of the



University and the Corps will be honored.

"While the unit has made notable progress over the last two years in several areas," Darling said, "recently uncovered acts of

intimidation and discrimination have rendered the unit defunct.

"It is not my intent to destroy the troop but rather to rebuild it as a unit that can pass muster in all areas."

Corps officials still are investigating the Sept. 17 incident where reportedly three male cadets physically assaulted a woman cadet in Parking Area 89. The parking lot is located behind

Battalion File Photo

The Parsons' Mounted Cavalry was temporarily discontinued over allegations of improprieties within the group. Here, the Cavalry performs at the opening of this year's Houston Livestock & Rodeo Show.

the University police station. After the assault, the female cadet was treated for anxiety at the Beutel Health Center, according to a press release.

However, Bob Wiatt, director of University Police Department, said officers reported seeing a sling on the victim's right arm when they were called to the health center Sept. 17.

Tim Piper, Parsons' Mounted Cavalry commanding officer, said an internal investigation conducted by the Corps as well as the University Police is still pending. Therefore, he said any comment about the assault and the decision to discontinue the Cavalry will be detrimental to the investigation.

The assault victim, who wishes to remain anonymous, said she is receiving support from the Corps of Cadets.

"Things are being taken care of," she said. "Everyone is very supportive, especially the Trigon (Office of the Commandant)."

In a memorandum that was

sent to all cadets in the Corps, Gen. Darling stated his disappointment concerning the whole incident.

"Words like shocking, concern, amazement and disappointment don't adequately express my feelings," the statement said. "Such an act is totally inconsistent with the principles of the Corps and this University. We will spare no effort to bring the attackers, and any others who may have helped instigate the incident, to justice."

He said an "intensive investigation" is under way.

"The victim of the attack was an innocent cadet, doing her best to be all that she could be," the release said. "She wanted to get involved - just as we urge all cadets to do. She now lives with memories that no cadet should have to keep."

Corps Commander John Sherman was unavailable for comment.

The Parsons' Mounted Cavalry, named in honor of former Corps Commandant Col. Thomas Parsons', is a group of riders who participate in A&M football games, parades and rodeos.

The group originated in 1978. The organization consists of approximately 50 cadets. Three of whom are women.

Lab fires cause three evacuations

Jayne Blaschke
The Battalion

The Zachry building was evacuated for the third time in the past two weeks Wednesday evening, when a student's experiment overheated in a basement laboratory.

Fred Rapczyk of the College Station Fire Department, said the biggest concern he had about the fire was why the building's fire alarms didn't go off.

"The building was evacuated, but I don't know how, because the alarms didn't go off," Rapczyk said. "There's nothing sounding right now, but with all this smoke in here, they should be going off everywhere."

George Rosier of the College Station Fire Department said the department responded at 6:25 p.m., and had the situation in control almost immediately.

"They were running an ex-

periment using oil they would heat, and the oil overheated and began giving off smoke," Rosier said. "Fortunately, he (the student) was here, and managed to turn off the heater. We came in and cooled it off with extinguishers, and everything's under control."

The recent fires have become an annoyance to the fire department said Rosier, especially since they seem to be the result of carelessness.

"This is the third time we've been over here for this - two weeks ago we were here twice in one day," he said. "From what we understand the same student was involved with this fire as with the last ones. Both times his experiment caught fire."

"Fortunately there wasn't much damage done at all," Rosier said. "The fire just burned some insulation and made a lot of smoke - that's all."

UPD, College Station police join forces in response to violence on Northgate

By Melody Dunne
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Violence along University Drive has caused the University and College Station Police departments to visit some of A&M's favorite hang outs.

Since the beginning of the school year, restaurants, bars and businesses on the north side have noticed a surge in police visits on the weekend evenings.

Bob Wiatt, the Director of Security and the University Police, said that three weeks ago the two police departments started a project where teams made of one UPD and one CSPD officer patrol the area on Thursday through Friday. The reason for the pair is to have jurisdiction on and off-campus.

Disorderly conduct, drunks and ID checks keep the teams busy, Wiatt said.

"Students don't seem to know that they can receive a ticket and also be sent to Student Affairs for disciplinary action," Wiatt said. "Eight hours in an alcohol abuse class is a definite incentive to be law-abiding citizen."

The Dixie Chicken, a popular hang out in College Station, is one of the primary targets for police stops on any Wednesday, Thursday or weekend night.

Ruthie Roughcut, an employee at The Chicken, said she is glad that the UPD and the

CSPD have teamed up and started checking out the night scene.

"It makes me feel safer," Roughcut said, "and they only take people who are being belligerent."

Violence early in the school year is one reason police have started making University Drive rounds.

Freddy Alvarez, an employee at The Chicken, was assaulted there on the night of Sept. 11.

"It was a group of four guys who came in and beat me up for no reason," Alvarez said, "and now the police only know one of their

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Bob Wiatt, the Director of Security and the University Police

names."

"I got hit bad three times," Alvarez said. He said he wishes the police were in the area at all times to keep people more aware of what is going on.

Cow Hop owners Jim and Judi McGuire have personally experienced the recent attacks of violence.

"My husband was assaulted right after the

LSU game," McGuire said, "Nobody knows who the guy is. All they know is he was wearing an Aggie T-shirt."

McGuire had more than 75 stitches in his face and a bruised esophagus from the attack.

"He was only asking a guy to stop using the women's restroom and the guy started hitting him," McGuire said of her husband's assault.

"I'd love to see a lot more police officers in here all the time," Judi McGuire said. "There's been more (police officers) since the beginning of school, but not enough."

Many students have noticed the increased police rounds.

Gregg Byrd, a junior economics major from Houston, said, "I've seen (the police) everywhere on the north side."

Two Pesos General Manager Bob Deam, said he pays two security guards to come in during the four busiest nights of the week.

"The customers get a little crazy down here on the weekends," Deam said.

"Some guys just come looking for it," he said.

Deam said the guards make sure customers don't carry out or bring in wine, beer or margaritas.

"We're taking care of ourselves," he said.

The College Station Police Department was unavailable for comment.

Look for The Battalion Gameday this Saturday for special features and game preview.