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Johnson, Burket chosen to play in Australia

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Damon Johnson and Beth Burket of Texas A&M have been chosen to play in

the Southwest Conference all star basketbal teams that will tour Australia from June 5-24. Johnson, who led the Ag gies in rebound-



ing and scoring, was sidelined with a foot injury for six weeks, includ-

ing a majority of the conferseason. ence Still, he won honorable mention all-SWC honors as well as making the conference allfreshman team.



"This is an honor that Da-**Burket**

mon certainly deserves," A&M head coach Tony Barone said. "It gives him an opportunity to be exposed to basketball on a different level, which I think is very healthy. It's an even greater honor for him because he missed so much of the season, and people still respect his ability that much."

Burket of the Lady Aggies started in thirteen games as a sophomore' and averaged 4.5 points and 2.3 rebounds a game.

"It is well-deserved," A&M women's coach Lynn Hickey said. "It will be a great experience for her and will help her continue to develop her game.

Spring drills begin today

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The two leading candidates to replace Richardson are Tommy Preston and Matt Miller. Both will have four years of eligibility going into next fall after being redshirted last season.

Preston was regarded one of the state's top high school quarter-backs in 1990, passing for 2,783 yards and 23 touchdowns in his career at A&M Consolidated in College Station.

just want to get out there and show my abilities," Preston said. "I feel a little pressure. I'm not too much worried about it. I'm just going to go out and do the best I can.

As a senior at Mt. Carmel High School in San Diego, Calif., Miller was named the No. 4 dropback passer in the Southwest by analyst Max Emfinger and passed for more than 2,300 yards in his career Junior Kent Petty and freshman Steve Emerson, who will have three years of eligibility left in the fall, are also candidates for the job. "I just think there are three other great quarterbacks going after the starting job, so it's going to be tough," Miller said. "There's going to be a lot of competition. I feel some pressure, because this could determine the starter for next year and I want to be that guy Besides a starting quarterback, Slocum must find a player to replace Coryatt, who is expected to be one of the top five players selected in the NFL draft. But the Aggies greatest loss on defense may be in the backfield 'I think probably the biggest loss will be in the secondary where we lost two starters in Chris Crooms and Kevin Smith," Slocum said. "We also lost real valuable backups in Ramsey Bradberry, Marlin Haynes and Kary Vincent. Those guys played in every game. They were big special teams' players, and they were big in our nickel-and-dime (pass defense) package. Cornerback Derrick Frazier and free safety Patrick Bates are the returning starters in the secondary. Bates said he and Frazier will be responsible for molding the young players who will fill the holes in the A&M secondary. "I think we're going to be all right because we have some great athletes here," Bates said. "We've got guys who can cover and run. "I think Derrick and I need to bring some of the young guys along and teach them what we've learned and try to help them as much as we can. Today's practice begins at 4:50 p.m. and is open to the public. After Monday, passes to attend prac-tice will be issued to A&M students and alumni by Recruiting Coordinator Tim Cassidy.

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Camp Slocum

Members of one of this summer's Fish Camps Friday. From left to right: Sean Lofgren and football coach R. C. Slocum in a presentation Slocum and the rest of the Camp's counselors.

named their camp after Texas A&M head Katherine Chamrad, co-chairs, along with

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