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Groups allow students to become part of University system

Committees provide campus involvement

By Robin Roach

Students who are searching for in-volvement in the Texas A&M University system should be aware of the numerous committees now accepting applications.

Memberships in nearly 40 committees are open to undergraduate as well

as graduate students in diversified areas of interest.

David Dupre, co-chairman of University Committees, said committees' are an important part of Texas A&M, and there is a committee suitable for everyone.

The committees facilitate the decision-making processes of the University," Dupre said. "Being involved in a committee makes you appreciate

A&M. The more you're involved, the more you'll love it.'

The Security Awareness Committee is one of the committees looking for students interested in getting involved. This particular committee deals with threats to the safety of students and property - an increasingly important area of concern, given the recent assaults on and around the A&M campus.

The Student Publications Board is also one of the numerous committees. Its responsibilities include choosing the editorial board for the Aggieland AggieVision, and The Battalion, which makes the committee one of the most visible to the student body Dupre said. One of the newer committees at

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CRIME STOPPERS

Police continue search for assailant

It was 6 a.m. on Saturday, March 28 when a 41-year-old female was leaving Kinko's Copy Center at 509 University Drive in College Station.

As she approached her car and opened the door, a black male quickly came up from behind her, shoved her into the front seat. The suspect threatened her with a knife, told her to keep her head down, then started the car and drove away.

The victim stated that the suspect drove to a secluded location where he assaulted her, put a paper sack over her head, then drove to another location where he forced her into the trunk of the car, before he drove and abandoned the car on Jones Road, off of Highway 60 west of College Station.

The suspect is described as a black male, 30 to 35 years of age, 5' 10" to 6' 00" tall, 175 to 190 lbs., with a muscular build and medium complexion.

Detectives believe that the suspect left on foot, suggesting that he may live near the area that the car was abandoned or that the suspect was picked up along Highway 60 and given a ride.

Two weeks ago this sexual assault was featured as the Crime of the Week. Since that time Crime Stoppers and the College Station Police Department have received several calls, however detectives have exhausted all leads, leaving no viable suspects.

If you have information that could be helpful, call Crime Stoppers at 775-TIPS. When you call, Crime Stoppers will assign you a special coded number that will protect your identity.

If your call leads to an arrest and grand jury indictment, Crime Stoppers will pay you up to \$1,000 in cash. Crime Stoppers also pays cash for information on any felony crime or the location of any wanted fugitive.

So call Brazos County Crime Stoppers today, at 775-TIPS.

Attorneys pick jury for trial

KERRVILLE - After hours of questioning, attorneys selected an eight-woman, four-man jury Wednesday to decide the fate of a Lubbock man accused of raping his retarded sister-in-law.

Jimmy Wayne Wooten, 42, is accused of raping and impregnating the retarded woman on April 15, 1990 when she was a resident of the Lubbock State School.

Wooten faces a possible two to 20 years in prison and up to a \$10,000 fine if convicted. He maintains he is innocent.

Several jurors were disqualified after saying they could not consider probation as punishment for someone convicted of sexual assault.

Wooten's sister in law, 34-year-old Debra Lynn Thomas, gave birth to a son Jan. 1, 1991.

Thomas has the IQ of a 2-year-old and does not realize she has given birth.

Her son was delivered by Caesarean section and is healthy. Thomas now lives in a home for the mentally retarded.

The case has attracted national attention and led to reforms in the way abuse complaints are reported at institutions governed by the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardations.

The case was moved to Kerrville because of pre-trial publicity in the Lubbock area.

Summer course seating remains same

By Sharon Gilmore

The number of seats in summer classes will be identical to last summer despite budget cuts, a University official told the Student

Senate Wednesday evening. Executive Associate Provost Dr. Jerry Gaston said descriptions of the situation do not correlate faculty do not need to be worried. "There will be the same oppor-

tunities this summer as last summer," he said. Gaston said two colleges serve

a huge number of students, the College of Science and the College of Liberal Arts. The colleges are seriously af-fected because they teach so many

lower division students who tend-

with the reality and students and ed to take fewer courses last fall. Gaston said because of this the

Office of Provost provides additional funds for summer courses/Page 1

colleges had some serious problems and had to make some compensations.

"Those two Colleges did not

get the largest percentage in the reduction," he said. Gaston said emergency fu are available for the colleges int

treme financial trouble. Gaston said since he has been here, there has always been problem with students getting the classes they want in the su mer sessions. The University has

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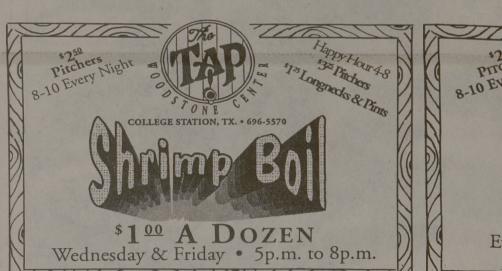
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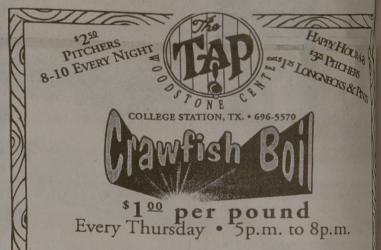
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