

# Campus & Local

## A&M System receives GTE Focus Grant

By Matari Jones  
The Battalion

Texas A&M University is one of 15 universities nationwide to receive a grant designed to promote innovative programs that help underrepresented groups enter college and complete degrees in math, science and communications.

As a recipient of the 1991 GTE Focus Grant, A&M will receive

\$30,000 over two years to establish an academic enhancement center in Laredo to help minorities such as blacks and Hispanics get a college education. Laredo State University is under the Texas A&M University System.

"Nationally, we are not doing well in math and science," said Yolanda Calderon, director of the Academic Enrichment Outreach Center in Laredo. "There are not enough minority students in those areas."

She said the pilot program is not a tutoring program, but an instructional program designed to enhance the curriculum.

The philosophy behind the program is to stress that learning is fun, she said.

Calderon said that many times there is nothing really "wrong" with minority students, it is just that they are in economically suppressed areas with high unemployment rates. As a result, the area schools have less money and

less resources. "The kids are at a disadvantage because of a lack of resources," she said.

Many student enhancement programs are geared specifically towards the gifted and talented or at-risk students.

Calderon said this program is designed differently, to help the average A-B student otherwise known as the "invisible student."

"We are trying to help students prepare for their future," she said.

## UPD, A&M committee to teach bicycle safety

By Melody Dunne  
The Battalion

You may think traffic laws are simple, but when bicyclists, motorists and pedestrians compete for the same space, sometimes things get confusing.

To get the facts straight, the Student Affairs Security Committee and the University Police Department Crime Prevention unit will host an "Adult Bicycle Seminar" today at 4 p.m. in 701 Rudder. The purpose of the seminar is to educate bicyclists on safety, bicycle laws and maintenance.

Lt. Bert Kretzschmar, with the UPD Crime Prevention Unit, said this seminar will help reinforce laws that might have been forgotten.

"Growing up you learn to look both ways and give hand signals," he said. "There's no program that teaches adults these things."

Department of Public Safety Trooper Eddie Carmon and Judge George Boyett will spend part of the seminar explaining the penalties of breaking bicycle laws. Cpl. Betty Leay of the UPD will also discuss ways to avoid bicycle theft.

Bicycles are very popular, he said, because they are economical

and they don't need gasoline, only pedal power. Most cyclists, however, do not realize that they have many of the same rights and responsibilities as motorists, Kretzschmar said.

Section 179 of Texas Traffic Laws states: "Every person riding a bicycle shall be subject to all of the duties applicable to the driver of a vehicle."

Just like fines for motorists, fines vary by bicycle offenses.

"The fines are based on a sliding scale," Kretzschmar said. "Running a stop sign on a bike can be from \$50 to over \$70."

He warned people against ignoring bicycle citations.

"You have 10 days to comply and then they will issue a warrant for your arrest," he said.

Kretzschmar said people need education on bicycle safety because so many wrecks are caused when they don't pay attention and obey laws.

He said he once saw a cyclist run a stop sign and ride up into the back of an 18-wheel truck.

Kretzschmar encourages anyone, especially those who own and ride bicycles, to attend the seminar.

"It will bring a new awareness of safety to those who come," he said.



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### Bird's-eye view

Neal Grabarkewitz, a freshman business major, stands atop the Pi Kappa Phi scaffold in front of Rudder Fountain Wednesday. The fraternity is raising money for charity.

## Glasgow targets 'inefficient' recycling program

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or getting citizens' opinions.

"The city drastically changed the garbage collection system without asking anyone," he said.

Glasgow feels the current College Station recycling program is inefficient. He wants to scrap the program and let the voters decide what kind of system to use.

"The recycling program we're using now is costing us more than

we are saving," he said. "I'm all for recycling, but the public needs to vote on what kinds of recycling programs to implement. The current program was a take-it-or-leave-it deal that wasn't even voted on."

Glasgow feels the city council needs to be more aggressive in dealing with TCA Cable.

"The cable company has captured the city council," he says. "We need to send the message to

the company that if they can't agree with us on cable service we'll put it (the franchise) up for bid."

Glasgow also wants to change what the police department concentrates on.

"I want to take some of the police off traffic tickets and put them in crime prevention," he said. "The number of traffic tickets given in College Station have gone up three times this year. That's the

exact percentage auto thefts have gone up. They've built a whole new complex to handle traffic tickets. It's just incredible."

Glasgow said he believes the city is in a good position to plan long-range growth and goals. He said he thinks industry growth is an area that the city is in a good position to control.

"We need to attract industry that will raise the average income," he said.

## What's Up

THURSDAY

**HISTORY, JOURNALISM, BRAZOS VALLEY ACLU AND STUDENT COALITION AGAINST APARTHEID AND RACISM:** Lecture: "An Evening with Alexander Cockburn" with reception following. 7:30 p.m. in 701 Rudder.

**TEXAS A&M EMERGENCY CARE TEAM:** Last meeting for this semester. Please wear your uniform. 7 p.m. in 601 Rudder. Call Stephen at 845-4222 for more information.

**SOCIETY OF WOMEN ENGINEERS:** Our last meeting of the semester social gathering. It will be a lot of fun so please come. 6:30 p.m. in Zachry. Call Jennifer at 696-4159 for more information.

**CAREER CENTER:** "Career Options." This seminar is designed to introduce participants to the career exploration and career decision making process. 12:45 p.m. in 111 Student Services. Call Pat at 845-5127 for more information.

**STUDENT SENATE:** Applications available for four open Senate seats (200 Campus, 1-Business, 1-Northside). Applications are due May 1 at 5 p.m. in the Student Senate office. Call 845-3051 for more information.

**ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS:** General discussion. 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. Call the CDPE at 845-0280 for more information.

**ADULT CHILDREN OF ALCOHOLICS:** General discussion at 6 p.m. Call the CDPE at 845-0280 for more information.

**GAY AND LESBIAN STUDENT SERVICES:** This will be the last regular meeting of the semester. We will watch the movie "The Times of Harvey Milk" and discuss plans for the summer meetings. Everyone is encouraged to attend. 7 p.m. in 302 Rudder. Call the Gayline at 847-0321 for more information.

**OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL SCHOOL:** The Importance of the Essay and Application for Medical/Dental School - hints for success. Advance registration required. 1:30 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. in 203 Academic. Call April Moore at 847-8938 for more information.

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## Ringer: Students can play larger role in city

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working together. TCA is investigating concerns raised recently, he said.

"TCA isn't a bad company," Ringer said. "They really are doing a better job than other companies we've had. There are things they could improve on."

"Our next step is to work with TCA and decide what they should do to renew their franchise. We're going to look into (charges against them). We will advertise and accept bids from any company; TCA doesn't have an exclusive franchise," he said.

Ringer said most college students are not interested in local government unless they are directly affected.

"I think for most of them their goal is to finish their degree and find employment," he said. "I think they are mainly interested in what happens to them."

"Other than that, their world, class and campus and activities," he said. "They take pretty much for granted things that happen in the city if it doesn't affect them."

Ringer pointed out that college students can participate in municipal government.

"They (college students) have the opportunity to attend these meetings and speak at them. There are committees which are advisers to the city council."

Ringer said he wants the council to continue to plan for the future and provide services as cheaply as possible.

"Over the last six years the council has shown a desire to look ahead for the city and make plans," Ringer said. "We want to lead the city to what we imagine the city should look like in the next five to twenty years."

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Mr. Bill's Classes	Sun. 5/3	Mon. 5/4	Tues. 5/5	Wed. 5/6	Thur. 5/7						
3pm-5pm	Chem 102- Review Test I	Chem 102- Review Test II	Chem 102- Review Test III	Chem 102- Review Test IV & Ch 32	Chem 102- Nuclear Chemistry Practice Final A						
5pm-7pm		Phys 218 Test I Review	Phys 218 Test II Review	Phys 218 Test III Review	Phys 218 Practice Final						
7pm-9pm	Chem 102 Review Test I	Chem 102 Review Test II	Chem 102 Review Test III	Chem 102 Review Test IV & Ch32	Chem 102 Nuclear Chemistry Practice Final A						
9pm-11pm	Chem 102 Review Test I	Chem 102 Review Test II	Chem 102 Review Test III	Chem 102 Review Test IV & Ch 32	Chem 102 Nuclear Chemistry Practice Final A						
11pm-1am	Chem 101 Review Test I	Chem 101 Review Test II	Chem 101 Review Test III	Chem 101 Review Test IV & Coordinate Chemistry	Chem 101 Coordinate Chemistry Practice Final A						
AP's Classes	Fri. 5/1	Sat. 5/2	Sun. 5/3	Mon. 5/4	Tues. 5/5	Wed. 5/6	Thur. 5/7	Fri. 5/8	Sat. 5/9	Sun. 5/10	Mon. 5/11
1pm-3pm		Math 251 Review Test I	Math 151 Review Test II				Math 251 Pract. Final		2pm-4pm Chem 101 Practice Final B	2pm-4pm Econ 101 Practice Final C	2pm-4pm Econ 102 Practice Final D
3pm-5pm	Math 308 Ch. 2 & 3	Math 142 Review Test I	Math 308 Ch. 4				Math 142 Practice Final		4pm-6pm Chem 102 Practice Final B	4pm-6pm Chem 102 Practice Final C	4pm-6pm Chem 102 Practice Final D
5pm-7pm	Math 151 Review Test I	Math 152/161 Review Test I	Acct. 229 Review Test I	Math 151 Review Test II	Acct. 230 Review Test III	Math 251 Review Test III	Acct. 229 Practice Final	Dave's 5pm-8pm Math 141 Ch. 2, 3, 4	5pm-8pm Math 141 Ch 7, 8, 9	5pm-8pm Math 141 Ch 7, 8, 9	
7pm-9pm		Math 152/161 Review Test II	Acct. 229 Review Test II	Math 152/161 Review Test II	Acct. 229 Review Test III	Math 152/161 Practice Final	Acct. 229 Practice Final	Kirsten's 5pm-8pm Econ 202 Review Test I	6pm-8pm Econ 202 Review Test II	6pm-8pm Econ 202 Review Test III	6pm-8pm Econ 202 Practice Final
9pm-11pm		Acct. 230 Review Test I	Acct. 230 Review Test II	Acct. 230 Review Test II	Math 142 Review Test II	Math 142 Review Test III	Acct. 230 Practice Final	8pm-10pm Econ 203 Review Test I	8pm-10pm Econ 203 Review Test II	8pm-10pm Econ 203 Review Test III	8pm-10pm Econ 203 Practice Final
11pm-1am		Math 251 Review Test II	Math 308 Ch. 6	Math 151 Practice Final	Math 308 Ch. 7						

These following sessions will be held at the College Station Conference Center

Time		Mon. 5/4	Tues. 5/5	Wed. 5/6	Thur. 5/7
5pm-7pm	Dave's	Math 141 Ch 2 & 3	Math 141 Ch 5 & 6	Math 141 Ch 6 & 7	Math 141 Ch 8 & 9
7pm-9pm	Kirsten's	Econ 203 Review Test I	Econ 203 Review Test II	Econ 203 Review Test III	Econ 203 Practice Final
9pm-11pm		Econ 202 Review Test I	Econ 202 Review Test II	Econ 202 Review Test III	Econ 202 Practice Final

Tickets for the finals schedule will go on sale Saturday May 2 at noon