

Walton Hall raises funds for injured Aggie

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Some may say the Spirit of Aggieland is dying, that traditions are not as important as they once were, but how some Aggies are rallying around an Aggie in need proves it is not true.

Kyle Kepple, a senior petroleum engineering major, was critically injured in a car accident last May while on a residence hall trip to visit the Shiner Brewery in Shiner, Texas. Presently, Kepple is recovering in a rehabilitation hospital in Fort Worth.

Chris Thompson, a member of the Walton Hall Council, said Kepple is recovering much better than anyone expected.

"Hopefully, he will be back here this fall semester in time to see Bonfire," said Thompson, a junior industrial engineering major.

The Walton Hall Council is conducting several fund-raisers this semester in order to help Kepple and his family with the medical bills, which Thompson said are very high.

This weekend the council will begin the biggest fund raising effort so far. Before the Rice game Saturday, a table will be set up in the main hallway of the Memorial Student Center to sell Cotton Bowl "Spirit" towels.

The towels, which are designed specifically

to rally spirit for a drive to the Cotton Bowl, are similar to 12th Man towels.

However, the fund-raising towels are not meant to compete with them, but to compliment them, Thompson said.

The idea of selling the towels originated with Curtis Couch, Class of '88, who had never met Kepple, but heard on the radio there was a need for fund-raising ideas.

"It's kind of unique what happened," Couch said. "I was just driving and heard the ad for ideas or donations. The idea just popped into my head."

Couch came up with the concept, designed the towels, presented the idea to the Walton Hall Council and implemented the program within a matter of two weeks.

"The whole thing just hit me all at once," Couch said. "I came up with a design right away and needed a University sponsor. The obvious choice was Walton Hall."

The goal of the project is to benefit both Kepple and Walton Hall, Couch said.

If the idea works out, Couch hopes to eventually set up a perpetual fund out of the towel proceeds and expand the concept to include such products as t-shirts and sweatshirts.

"I want to set it up where the proceeds go to Walton Hall and the council can vote to donate to a select charity," he said. "Maybe we

will be able to help another Aggie in the future."

Couch said the event is important because it deals with the two most important things on campus, getting to the Cotton Bowl and helping another Aggie.

The towels are not the only money raiser Walton Hall has planned. Also in the works is a domino tournament sponsored by all residence halls.

The tournament will begin this week, with the finals being held the week of Nov. 5 at the Cow Hop.

"Eventually, we hope to involve fraternities, the Corps and other student groups to come up with a single champion," Thompson said.

In addition, a Kyle Kepple Fund has been set up at First State Bank. Anyone who would like to make a donation can call 696-5483.

Thompson said all of this is being done in the true spirit of Texas A & M.

"It's important that everyone keep him in their prayers and show a lot of Aggie Spirit," Thompson said.

Towels will be on sale for \$5 in the main hallway of the Memorial Student Center Saturday starting at 10 a.m. They can also be purchased at any time through the Walton Hall Council.

In Brief

VILNIUS, LITHUANIA (AP) — A radioactive steam leak forced Lithuania's only nuclear power plant to shut down on Thursday, but the nation's nuclear agency said no radiation had seeped into the atmosphere.

MOSCOW (AP) — Russian military units in Tajikistan were put on combat alert Thursday and authorized to return fire if attacked after militants in that Central Asian state threatened to take Russian hostages, Russian media reported.

AUSTIN (AP) — First lady Barbara Bush will travel to four cities Friday, seeking to boost her husband's chances in central and south Texas.

DALLAS (AP) — Ross Perot will deliver his solution for fixing the nation's deficit and other economic troubles in a 30-minute commercial to air Friday night.

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) — The new visitor center at NASA's Johnson Space Center opens to the public Friday.

FORT WORTH (AP) — A judge Thursday ordered 24 boxes of documents unsealed in a product liability lawsuit against General Motors Corp., which one consumer group said was responsible for the "Pinto of the '90s."

"We believe that 1973 through 1987 full-size GM pickups are the Pintos of the '90s," said Thomas Smith, director of Public Citizen's Texas office in Austin.

"They have a high risk of explosion when they're hit from the side, since the fuel tank is in between the body and the frame," said Smith after the ruling. "And when hit behind the passenger door, sometimes that tank ruptures, spewing fuel over the people involved in the accident and bursting like a watermelon."

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — The last scheduled U.S. shuttle flight this year, a military mission by Discovery, probably will be delayed because of a faulty component in the orbital maneuvering system, officials said Thursday.

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Women's business and political leaders are urging Texas women to wear white and vote en masse to demonstrate their political power on Oct. 24, Women's Vote Action Day.

WASHINGTON (AP) — The letters "USA" and "K" etched into a Laotian rice paddy only four years ago could be distress signals from American POWs, according to Senate testimony Thursday.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Humanity is vulnerable to emerging diseases — such as AIDS and new strains of old killers — and medical science needs to sharpen its ability to combat these lethal microbes, says a report released Thursday by the Institute of Medicine.

WASHINGTON (AP) — About 44 million Americans on Social Security will get a 3 percent cost-of-living increase next year, averaging \$19 a month. Members of Congress will see their paychecks go up 3.2 percent, or \$345 monthly.

WASHINGTON (AP) — South African Archbishop Desmond Tutu on Thursday called for South Africa's leaders to stop wasting time and end apartheid.

ROSTOV-ON-DON, Russia (AP) — A judge sentenced 56-year-old Andrei Chikatilo, known as the world's bloodiest serial killer, to death for murdering 52 children and women in a series of cannibalistic sex crimes on Thursday.

BANJA LUKA, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — Defying the world community and his own political chief, the commander of the Serb rebel air force refused Thursday to relinquish his aircraft to U.N. supervision.

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The board's decision will not go unnoticed among the Greek community, Leese said.

"I think this has definitely gotten everybody's attention, not just the SAE's," Leese said. "Not only will it change the behavior of all the Greek organizations, but hopefully a change in attitude will occur on the whole campus, so two or three months from now we're not back to square one."

The format of the hearing called for statements from witnesses, representatives of black groups on campus and SAE members.

Kelly Kubiak, an active member of SAE, argued against the

claim that members were play-acting a slave hunt at the Oct. 2 party. He said several witnesses spoke to the board, backing up their contention that no play or skit was performed.

"We did prove that there was never a slave-hunt parody," Kubiak said. "What we were guilty of was the painting of faces."

Joe Colvin, a member of Kappa Alpha Psi, also testified to the board. According to a prepared statement that he read, Colvin told the board that the decision they made would have wide-ranging repercussions.

"When blatant racism, such as this, happens with obviously no remorse, it is an embarrassment to you and (SAE)," the statement said. "But, now... you hold the power to say, 'yes, we are a world class institution, but we have problems and we are working to correct them.'"

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he said it gave the people a chance to ask the candidates questions for a change. It cut down on the mudslinging which continues to crop up as the election draws closer, he said.

Brannon liked the debate format because it gave Clinton a chance to talk about the real issues instead of having to defend himself against Republican mudslinging. So far, Bush has failed to talk about the problems facing America, Brannon said.

"The Republicans will do anything to get elected," he said. "They can't run on their record, so they have to dig up all of this dirt because their record is so pathetic. Bush has no vision. He inspires nothing. He's tired and out of

ideas." Bush is getting desperate, Brannon said. The president hopes to draw attention away from the real issues, for which he has no solutions, Brannon said, by attacking Clinton's character. Americans are tired of the negative campaigning, he said, and the president's low approval rating reflects this.

"They're (Republicans) just so lost and so frantic that they'll just do anything," he said.

Brannon said he believes Perot has some good ideas, but he doubts Americans are ready for the changes Perot is proposing.

"A lot of Ross Perot's economic policies are going to be hard to swallow for middle America," he said. "You can talk tough, but you can only take it so far."

The next presidential debate is tentatively scheduled for Monday at 6 p.m. in East Lansing, Michigan.

Debate

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members of Congress to 12 years in office. Clinton said that would hurt small states and would increase the power of unelected congressional staff members.

Clinton said he supported the so-called Brady bill that called for a waiting period for handgun purchasers and also backed an anti-crime bill that was killed by a Republican-led filibuster.

Bush countered that the crime bill backed by Clinton wasn't tough enough. He said he wanted tougher provisions to cut down on court appeals

and toughen the hand of police officers. He also stressed his support for the death penalty.

An ABC News poll released a few hours before the debate suggested Bush had closed the gap on his rival in the days since their first debate on Sunday. The survey, taken Tuesday and Wednesday, showed Clinton with 44 percent support, to 37 percent for Bush and 11 percent for Perot. A similar pre-debate survey showed Clinton with a 12-point edge.

A CBS-New York Times survey released on Wednesday made it Clinton 47 percent, Bush 34 percent and Perot 10 percent, unchanged from a survey conducted 10 days earlier.

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