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The Battalion

Thursday, April 15, 1993

Corps, frats to play ball at Olsen for fundraiser

By MARK EVANS

The Battalion

Members of the Corps of Cadets and fraternity members will face off across Olsen Field tonight at 7 p.m. in the Fourth Annual Corps/Fraternity Baseball Game.

The Corps and the Interfraternity Council are sponsoring the event. The two organizations use the money raised from tickets sales to fund scholarships and Corps recruiting efforts. Last year, they collected \$1,500.

Marc Povero, head coach of the Corps team, said the game provides both organizations with the opportunity to put their differences aside and raise money for a good cause.

"We're going in with the attitude that this is a fund-raiser, and we're just out there to have a good time," he said. "I'm looking forward to a good game because the IFC always has good pitchers."

The Corps won last year's game with a score of 5-3. The IFC won the game its first two years.

Greg Stevens, IFC coach, said he has a strong team this year because they have trimmed the team down to their best players.

"I think this year we have the best team we've ever put on the field," he said. "I think if we go out there and play our best, we'll win."

The organizations held tryouts a few weeks ago to determine who would play. The Corps accepted 22 people while the IFC accepted 19 players.

The entire Corps will march into Olsen Field before the game.

For those students wanting to attend, tickets sell for \$3, which includes a complimentary program.

Proposed bill could free students from TASP test

By JULI PHILLIPS

The Battalion

AUSTIN - The Texas Senate is expected to pass a bill that exempts some students from taking the newly required Texas Academic Skills Program (TASP) test.

However, the bill will not apply to Texas A&M University students who are currently enrolled.

As proposed, the Senate bill exempts students who have a score of 1,200 or above on the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) or a comparable score on the American College Test (ACT) from taking the test.

"It has been brought to my

attention that students must take an exit exam and then take the TASP," said Sen. Teel Bivins from Amarillo. "We need to put exemptions in so students don't need to keep taking these tests."

The bill was also supported by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

Joan Matthews, a representative from the coordinating board, said the exemption test level was too low. But, senators said they are worried that the level was too high.

The bill was placed on the Senate agenda to be passed without debate. The Senate to pass the bill before the end of the month.

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Health Tips

Chlamydia most common STD on college campuses

By STACEY GARNER

A.P. Beutel Health Center

April is Sexually Transmitted Disease Awareness Month, a good time to talk about the most common sexually transmitted disease in the United States.

Chlamydia infects 3-4 million people every year and is one of the most frequently diagnosed sexually transmitted diseases on college campuses, including Texas A&M University.

Chlamydia infections are spread by direct sexual contact. Because chlamydia often has no symptoms, many with the disease do not even realize they are infected. If you do have symptoms, they usually appear within a month after exposure. Symptoms are noticed more often by men than women.

In men, symptoms include: discharge from the penis, painful or frequent urination, and itching or burning around the opening of the penis. In women, symptoms include: vaginal discharge or itching, pain in lower abdomen, and or bleeding between menstrual periods or slight fever.

If left untreated, chlamydia can lead to PID (Pelvic inflammatory disease), which is severe inflammation and infection of the reproductive organs. PID can cause scarring of the reproductive organs and can lead to sterility in both men and women and possible ectopic pregnancy in women.

You can avoid being infected with chlamydia. Some precautions to protect yourself include: Latex condoms with extra nonoxynol-9 spermicide added during all acts of intercourse, abstinence from sexual intercourse or limiting your number of sexual partners, know your partner, get STD checkups regularly if you are sexually active, and see a physician immediately if you suspect you have chlamydia or have been in sexual contact with someone infected with chlamydia.

The only sure way to diagnose chlamydia is to see your physician for testing and treatment. Chlamydia is a bacterial infection and both you and your partner can be treated and totally cured with antibiotics.

If you have been diagnosed with a chlamydia infection, tell your partner so they can seek treatment. Recognize the symptoms and behaviors that put you at risk for contracting chlamydia and take precautions to protect your health.

If you suspect you may have chlamydia, please contact the A.P. Beutel Health Center at 845-6111 for an appointment with a physician.

If you are interested in more information about chlamydia, or any other sexually transmitted disease, please contact the Health Education Center located in the basement of the A.P. Beutel Health Center, or call (845-1341).

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