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A few good Aggies

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Sophomore members of the Fish Drill Team talk to Quad Thursday afternoon. The Fish Drill Team some freshmen about the organization outside the performed in the movie "A Few Good Men."

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A&M center to open in Mexico City

For more info, call Chris at 764-

Phi Beta Lambda, Professional Busi**ness Fraternity**: Rush Picnic and Play-day, at noon at Oaks Park. For more info, call Meghan Anderson at 693-5311.

Aggie Lutherans: At 12:15 at Our

By James Bernsen THE BATTALIO

In an effort to expand research and business op-portunities, Texas A&M University will open a new center in Mexico City on Sept. 16.

The center will coordinate the University's activities in Mexico, as well as housing offices of the State of Texas.

Dr. Gabriel Carranza, director of Texas A&M's Mexican and Latin American Programs Office, was one of the first advocates of the center.

"The idea is to have a central location for faculty to continue relations with Mexico," Carranza said. 'We are the first university in the U.S. to establish such a presence in Mexico.

Carranza said A&M has close to 20 agreements with Mexican institutions for research and education, and wants to establish stronger business ties.

Tom Taylor, assistant vice president and controller, said the center would provide an opportunity to centralize and extend business activities, as well as those of other schools in the A&M System that have initiatives in Mexico.

Dr. Emily Ashworth, associate provost for international programs, said the center also will serve as a base for training programs for A&M faculty.

"I think the center will provide great opportuni-ties, especially for our students," Ashworth said. The center will provide a staging area for study

abroad programs, research ventures and services to former students. It is the result of three years of work that culminated in a donation of the office space by Pable and Barbara Marvin.

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Ashworth said future developments may allow exchanges of A&M instructors and faculty from Mexican universities.

Taylor said establishing a center in a foreign country was difficult. "The financial side has been a challenge," he said.

"The main difference we had to overcome was our own learning curve.

A&M has contracted with a Mexican public accounting firm to deal with an entire new system of tax laws

Once the center is running, funding will come from colleges within the university who will have access to the center, as well as from the state.

Taylor said that with the passage of the North American Free Trade Agreement, the center would assume even greater significance. And, the office of the State of Texas will provide opportunities for businesses in Texas and Mexico to

form cooperative agreements The A&M offices will do the same, using alumni

ties, Carranza said. "The idea is to link former students in Mexico

with former students here," he said. The center will have a classroom, multimedia room, reception room and an office for former A&M

students from Mexico. The opening of the center will be attended by Gov. Ann Richards, Interim Chancellor William The T Mobley, Interim President E. Dean Gage and mem-

bers of the A&M Board of Regents, Carranza said. A&M officials have appointed Alejandra Gama, a

native of Mexico City, as coordinator of the center.

Friday

Campus Crusade for Christ: is hav-ing Friday night discussion in Harrington 108 at 7pm. For further info call Rob Rice at 696-4083.

Floriculture-Horticulture Society: is having a work party at the Hensel Park Greenhouse at 5pm. For more info call Sam at 693-8790.

Students Over Traditional Age (over 24yrs old): is having a meeting at Fud-druckers at 6pm. For more info call Ann or Virgil at 845-1741.

Puerto Rican Student Assoc.: is having their first general meeting at 7pm in 502 Rudder. For more info call Cinthya Saaverda at 696-1364.

Korean American Assoc.: is having their first general meeting at 7pm in Rud-der 501. For more info call Eugene at 847-6050.

Muslim Students Assoc.: is having Friday Prayer and Islamic Lecture from 12:50-1:30pm in Rudder 301. For more info call Agus Rahmat at 846-4375.

The Navigators: are having Naviga-tor Christian Fellowship in th SSB Room 110 from 8:30-10pm. For more info call Shane Sanders at 846-0686 or Cari Zall at

Lutheran Student Fellowship: is hav-ing a fellowship supper at 6:30pm at the University Lutheran Chapel and Student Center. For more info call Rev. Richard Manus at 846-6687.

TAMU Assoc. of Professional Sup-port Staff (TAPSS): is having a guest lecture in Room 228 of the MSC from 12-1pm. For more info call Kathy Durkin at

Hillel Jewish Student Center: At 8pm at 800 George Bush Dr., Dr. Mestro-

vic of the sociology department will be the guest speaker. After services, there will be a swimming party at the Rabbi's house. Call 696-7313 for more informa-

MSC NOVA: from 6pm to 2am in MSC 041, there will be open gaming-RPGs and board gaming. Call Scott at 693-8271 for more information.

Saturday

Texas A&M Sports Car Club: At 10am at TAMU Riverside Annex, there will be practice autocrossing. All are welcome to learn what autocrossing is about and how your car handles. This is FREE and Lots of FUN!!! Call Chris at 764 7006 for meri information 764-7996 for more information.

International Students Association: We're having a party from 9pm to 2am at the College Station Community Center. Plenty of food, drinks and dancing! In-ternational music will be played! All stu-

dents are invited to join us! Tickets avail-able at the door. Call Marci at 693-2152 for more information.

What's Up

Floriculture Horticulture Society: Plant Sale - Tropicals for dorm rooms, hanging baskets and animals. The plant sale will be held on Sat., Sept. 11 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. in the Floriculture Green-house. For more information, call Sam (693-8700) (693-8790)

Philsa: Philippine Student Asssocia-tion: Induction of new officers and members on Sat., Sept. 11 at 6 p.m. in room 292 of the MSC.

Roteract: First general meeting of the semester, guest speaker from Hosts pro-gram. Meet in Rudder Tower 402 at 6 p.m. For more information, call Allison Wall at 693-4647.

Hong Kong Club: We are having a general meeting and outdoor barbecue at Central Park at 4:30 p.m. For more infor-mation, call Bryan at 846-3828 **A&M Cycling Team**: Caravan to Gibbons Creek Park for Mountain Bike Rid-ing. 52 per car and \$1.50 per person park fee. Meet at 3 p.m. at the Aggieland Cy-cling and Fitness. For more information, call Rey Trevino (764-9377).

Sunday

Texas A&M Sports Car Club: Au-tocross 1: Come drive your car like you

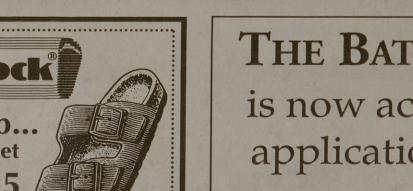
Saviour's Lutheran Church, there will be an Aggie luncheon. Call Heather at 847-0631 for more information. always wanted! Safe, fun and legal! Only \$5 to compete. Spectators free. Trophies for top finishers in each class. This will be at 9 a.m. at the TAMU Riverside An-

Phillipine Student Association: At 11am at Central Park, there will be a picnic. Please come!!

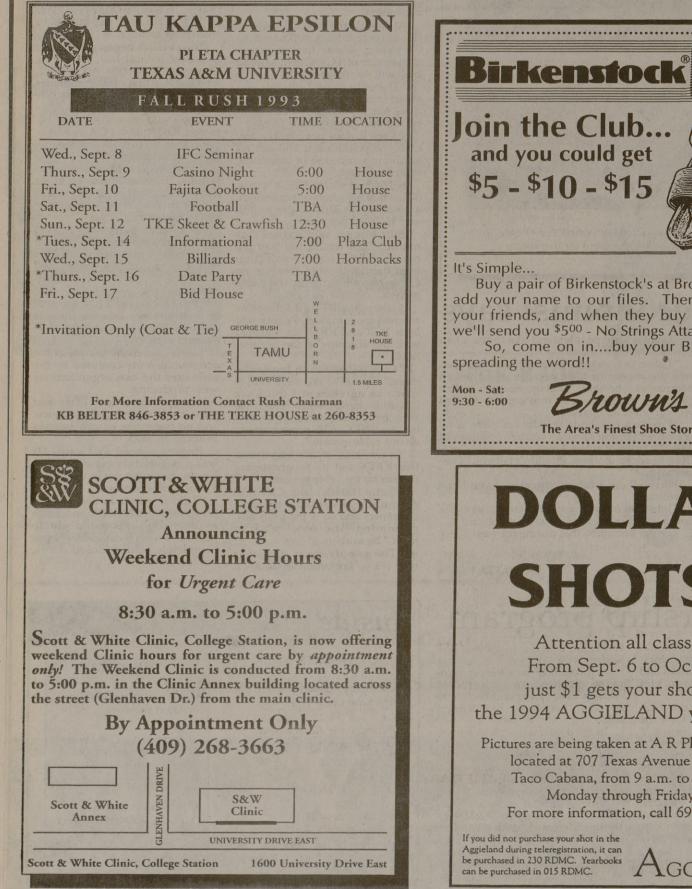
AlAnon: A meeting from 12 to 1 pm. For more information call CDPE: The Rainbow Center.

EXCEL: At 7pm in 110 and 111 SSB, there will be a meeting and workshop session. Call Claudio at 847-6191 or the multicultural services Department at 845-4551

What's Up is a Battalion service that lists non-profit events and activities. Items for What's Up should be submitted no later than three days before the desired run date. Application deadlines and notices are not events and will not run in What's Up. If you have questions call the newsroom at 845-3313.



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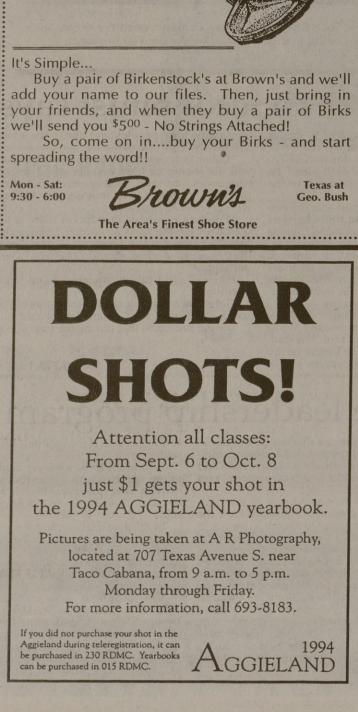
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