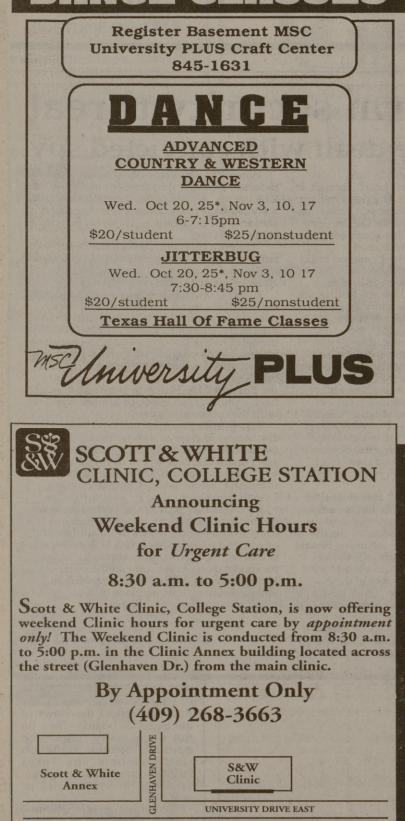
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Physical Plant doesn't care about traditions

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Why should the Physical Plant care about history or tradition? They aren't Aggies, just state employees. Other than the man who dumps chemicals into the Fish Pond, they don't do shit. Their best interests are less work, more pay. They must be unionized. By the way, where's my light bulb?

> Shea Snyder Class of '95

Don't blame social ills on Beavis, Butt-head

This letter is written in response to the editorial that appeared on Wednesday, Oct. 13, concerning "Beavis and Butt-head" and the cartoon's influence on young children. As a parent of two young boys, I agree with the thoughts of the editorial, which spoke of the parents' obvious lack of responsibility for

their children in these arson occurrences. However, I would like to continue along that train of thought by looking at society as a whole and its "take care of me" attitude. This attitude was brought to the forefront during the presidential debates when the questions from the audience were cries such as, "What will your administration do for me?'

I am amazed at this nation's inability to care for itself on an individual basis. It seems that the majority of people have no ability to handle their own problems, children, finances or education. It is very sad to know that those of us with a college degree are the minorities in this country, and we will, of course, be expected to carry the weight of the rest, because we lead "privileged lives."

Yes, we have the privilege of working our way through college, studying until 3:00 a.m. every morning, accruing tens of thousands of dollars in student loan debt and working for everything that we have.

I do not come from an economically privileged background, but I do know what it will take to attain that for my family. It does not come from blaming others for my

bad decisions or lack of basic common sense as so many in this nation do. I am in no way implying that one must have a college degree to become successful, only a desire to take responsibility for one's own life and that of one's family

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It seems to me that this issue with "Beavis and Butt-head" is only another step in the lack of real responsibility in the majority of Americans. It scares me to witness this change in the American attitude. This is not the way that our ancestors thought or behaved. If so, our nation would have never come into existence. The Europeans would have stayed in Europe and whined that the monarchy was not doing anything for them.

I am ready to go back to the days of limited social programs so that people will be forced to work and take responsibility for themselves or perish. It is quite obvious that the law of survival of the fittest (most determined, hardest working) no longer applies to humans. What a shame

> Pamela McCown Class of '93

Combat racist attitudes with positive outlook

I am responding to the two letters about Tracy Jones' column. I can agree with what Quentin Ellis wrote. However, I do have two comments.

I am somewhat sure he did not actually mean educated people should not dwell on the issue of racism, but until the issue is resolved totally, then someone has to "keep it off the back burner." (If everyone kept their eyes on God, we would not have such a problem.)

You must admit the only thing that can change is a prejudiced person's attitude, because we cannot change our skin color (without the sun's help)

Tracy, when Quentin stated the quote, "Seek and ye shall find," he was right. Any minority that you are in, especially a racial minority, you are going to receive some sort of discriminatory response. Also, smile! If someone does not smile back, ignore it and go on with your life.

It is just as if you were driving on a free-

way and someone cut you off. For some per ple, that will ruin their day, but that pers that cut you off is long gone. Think abouti

Now, as for this Shauna Wells person, sounds angry and very hostile. First of a do not know about the rest of you, bu thought your race was a part of your appearance. Secondly, the reason there is no "Wh Accountants Society" is because this is ap dominantly white university

What would be the point? The only pla "White Accountants Society" would ma any sense would be at Prairie View A&Mo TSU (or any other school where whites an the minority).

People need to take time to think about others' feelings and situations before the make certain remarks. Always remember that you can go to God with all of your faults and short-comings, and He will fix everyt you just have patience and wait. God bless

Jennifer Jefferson

Tracey Jones hits target with columns on racism

How can a person be so insensitive and bigoted? This question is aimed at Quent Ellis's response to Tracey Jones' column. Mr Ellis said he was not surprised to find the subject of racism in her column - like it was a viable topic, which it is - yet, he patronized her for writing on it.

I don't see what the comment he made about Tracey being "an educated lady" who could find another topic to write on had to do with her decision to write on racism. Are you insinuating that she is choosing to write about a topic that educated people should leave alone?

It's so easy for students like yourself to my and overshadow racism and make student like Tracey and me believe that it is just afin ment of our imagination. Excuse me if In being rude, but saying "Howdy" to other white students on campus is not a sure wa to avoid racism.

You said it yourself: the Dixie Chicke caters to a certain type of audience which not black, so I don't understand why you fin it so hard to believe Tracey's feelings of u welcomeness there. I also don't see how you comment on her going there more often overcome her feelings of insecurity" is a sol tion to the problem.

Get your head out of the clouds. How many people do you know who go back an forth to a place they feel unwelcome at? didn't think so. Enough said.

> Shaunyale Canada Class of '%

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Week At A Glance

Scott & White Clinic, College Station

Mon., Oct. 18

- * Entries Open:
 - ★ Field Goal Kicking
 - ★ Flickerball
 - Mexican Horseback Trip ×
 - **Backpacking Trip** ×
- * Mountain Biking Trip
- Flag Football Play-offs * posted- 10a.m.
- ★ Officials' Mtg.: Flickerball-6 p.m., 164 Read

Tues., Oct. 19

- * Entries Close:
 - * Badminton Doubles
 - **Pickleball Singles** *
 - Punt, Pass, & Kick *
 - * Canoe Trip

Wed., Oct. 20

★ Flag Football Play-offs begin

Fri., Oct. 22

- * Pickleball Singles &
 - **Badminton Doubles** Brackets Posted-2 p.m.

Mon., Oct. 25

- * Entries Open:
 - * Bowling Singles

Registration and fees are taken in 159 Read, Mon. - Thurs., 8 a.m. - 5:30 p.m., and Fri., 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Cash, local check, Visa, MasterCard, and Discover accepted.

Kyle Field Ramp Romp IV

Nov. 6, 1993 9:00 a.m.

The 5K course begins at Kyle Field, winds its way through the A&M campus, and culminates at Kyle Field where runners tackle the ramps of the football stadium (not the stairs).

Divisions: Male/Female: 17 years & under, 18-19, 20-21, 22-24, 25-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59, 60+.

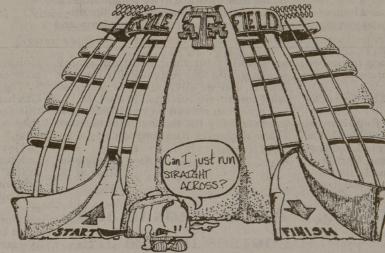
Entry Fees:

1600 University Drive East

Texas A&M students & faculty/staff with a rec membership:\$7 Non-Texas A&M students and non-rec members:\$10 Late registration for all runners (after Nov. 2):\$12

Awards: Fastest male and female runners will each receive a \$250 travel voucher from Continental Airlines, a pair of Reebok athletic shoes, courtesy of Campus Sports, and trophies from Awards & More. The first three males/females in each age group will receive medals.

Door prizes and awards will be given.* Proceeds to help benefit local Special Olympics.



*Two vouchers for round-trip tickets on Continental Airlines will be awarded as door prizes. The trips must be taken within the continental U.S. or Mexico. No purchase necessary. Winners must be present to receive their awards. For more info, stop in the Rec Sports Office, 159 Read, or call 845-7826.



Fast facts about the Rec Center

Here's the latest about the new Student Recreation Center and Natatorium.

The Student Rec Center :

- will not be collecting any student fees until the building is open, Spring, 1995.
- will be located north of Olsen Field, across the street from Kyle Field between Wellborn and Olsen Roads.
- will be available to all current students of Texas A&M, provided they are taking classes and such, will be rec considered members.
- will be available to faculty/staff, provided they pay a membership fee.
- is a \$36.4 million project with 286,000 square feet of
- space. That's almost five times the surface area of Kyle Field!
- will help the staff of the Department of Recreational Sports serve you better!

TAMU Outdoors

Listed below are the trips and clinics for the rest of the semester. If you need more information, please call Patsy, 845-3093.

Trip	Trip Date	Construction of the second	Entries Close	Fee
Backpacking Trip	Nov.5-7	TODAY	Nov.1	\$35*/40**
Mt. Biking Day Trip	Nov.7	TODAY	Nov.1	\$25*/30**
Rock Climbing Trip	Nov.12-14	Oct.25	Nov.8	\$45*/48**
Mexican Horseback Winter Break Trip	Jan. 11-15, 94	TODAY	Dec. 6	\$418*/440**

*Students & faculty/staff with a rec membership

**Faculty/staff without a rec membership & the Bryan/College Station community

Viva Mexico!

Horseback Trip January 11-15, 1994 Registration begins today!

Experience a Mexican adventure this winter break!

Join TAMU Outdoors and explore the unique charm of rural Old Mexicothe farming ajitos, ranches, ruins of a 300 year-old presidio and small communities that have existed since the time of the conquistadors! Enjoy spectacular canyons, waterfalls, visiting a goat herders jacal and scenic mountain-top vistas stretching for hundreds of miles.

This horseback adventure includes hearty campfire meals, the horses, 8 Mexican guide, and experienced leaders of Lajitas Stables Transportation and camping equipment is also provided in this package price of \$418*/\$440**.

This trip requires some aggressiv riding over rough terrain, so participants need to have prio horseback experience and to be comfortable trotting and loping.

Sign up in the Rec Sports office, 159 Read Bldg. For more info, call Pats at 845-3093.

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