

# Police Beat

The following incidents were reported to University Police Department between Oct. 20-29.

- Disorderly Conduct by Exposure**  
Sterling C. Evans Library - A witness observed four nude men running in front of the library.
- Possession of an Altered Driver's License**  
Parking Area 51 - Citation issued.
- Burglary of Vehicle**  
Parking Area 61 - The driver's side window of the victim's Chevrolet was shattered and a Shintom cellular phone was stolen.  
Parking Area 61 - Twenty compact discs were stolen from a pickup truck.  
Parking Area 61 - The driver's side window of the victim's vehicle was shattered and a radar detector was stolen.  
Parking Area 61 - The driver's side window was broken to gain

- entry into the victim's Honda. A compact disc player, an amplifier, a radar detector, a box speaker, and 30 compact discs were stolen.
- Failure to Provide Proof of Insurance**  
Houston Street - An individual who was detected operating a motor vehicle with a fictitious license plate was arrested. The subject was also unable to prove his insurability for the second time. He was transported to the Brazos County Jail.
- Driving While Intoxicated**  
Three citations were issued.
- Public Intoxication**  
Various Campus Locations - Three citations were issued.
- Making Alcoholic Beverage Available to a Minor**  
Parking Area 51 - Three citations were issued.

- Minor in Possession of Alcoholic Beverage**  
Various Campus Locations - Ten citations issued.
- Places Weapons Prohibited**  
The Grove - The victim, who was attending an event at the Grove, reported as a vehicle passed that a passenger of a Chevrolet pickup truck pointed a .22 caliber semi-automatic rifle out the window at him.
- Failure to Identify**  
Parking Area 51 - Citation issued.
- Misdemeanor Theft**  
Various Campus Locations - Nine bicycles were stolen.  
Parking Area 30 - A set of Wilson golf clubs was stolen from a pickup truck.  
Neeley Hall - Three credit cards were stolen from the victim's third floor room.  
Commons Dining Court - A blue denim jacket, a maroon

- backpack, a gold necklace and an A&M bus pass were stolen from a locker.
- Cain Hall - An individual knocked a pizza bag containing three pizzas out of the hands of the delivery person as he approached the building. The suspect grabbed the bag in mid-air and ran from the area.
- MSC - A maroon Liz Claiborne wallet containing several credit cards and the victim's driver's license was stolen from a first floor room.
- Assault by Contact**  
South Bizzell Street - While riding a bicycle along the south side of Bizzell Street the victim was struck with a stream of water shot from a passing motor vehicle by an individual holding a "Super Soaker" type water gun.
- Consumption of Alcoholic Beverage in a Public Place After Hours**  
Parking Area 51 - Two citations issued.

## Hispanic says schools shouldn't teach culture

By Lisa Elliott  
THE BATTALION

Multiculturalism is a separatist movement that promotes a breakdown in the spirit of community in America, said a Hispanic politician from Arlington Tuesday night.

Daniel Fernandez, state chairman of the Republican Hispanic Assembly of Texas, told members of College Republicans that he does not want to be considered a minority because that implies inferiority.

The courses proposed by Texas A&M's Faculty Senate are unnecessary and would promote the power of one group over another, he said.

"The use of labels to separate us, such as Hispanics, like African-American, is totally un-American," he said.

Fernandez said it is not the job of the schools to teach culture because that is taught at home

by the family and the community.

America is a place where everybody came from other cultures and everybody contributed to its formation, he said. Immigrants came here to be immersed in the American culture, not the culture they left behind.

"Nobody came here to be a hyphenated American," he said. "They came to be an American."

Fernandez said he is tired of other people assuming he got an education from government aid because he is Hispanic.

"Someone told me in 1968 that I was a minority and I was underprivileged because my name was Fernandez," he said. "This was news to me and to my mom."

Multiculturalism would add to the further division of the United States and cause more tension between the races than it would prevent, he said.

At Monday's Faculty Senate meeting, faculty

members will decide whether to add multicultural courses to the core curriculum. As a result, the College Republicans have stepped up their efforts to voice their opposition.

Richard Stadelmann, associate professor of philosophy and humanities and faculty adviser to the College Republicans, said many faculty members have expressed their disapproval of adding the courses but didn't feel like expressing their opinions openly.

Stadelmann said that is the biggest problem of this issue because the number of people opposing the multicultural courses outnumber those faculty members who support them, but the people opposed to the classes are not speaking up.

Phil Meuret, president of the College Republicans, said the liberals are winning on campus because they are the most vocal. He urged students to get involved in the next few days to let their opinion be heard on the issue.

## Habitat for Humanity to hold benefit concert

By Michele Brinkmann  
THE BATTALION

The Texas A&M University Habitat for Humanity chapter will sponsor a benefit concert Thursday to raise money for the charity's Bryan-College Station chapter.

Scott Thomas, the A&M chapter's vice president in charge of fund raising, said the money raised will pay for the construction of a new house.

"It's a \$5 donation, so even if someone doesn't know if they can pay, they can still make a donation," he said. "The money will be used to purchase materials for the construction of a new house."

Three local bands - Elvis Bukowski, Granny Smith and Add Silence - will perform at the Northgate Cafe concert at 9:30 p.m.

Thomas said the charity hopes to sell 200 tickets and raise \$1000-\$1500 for the Bryan-College Station chapter. Tickets can be purchased at Marooned Records, the MSC and Northgate Cafe.

Habitat for Humanity is a worldwide, non-denominational housing ministry whose purpose is to eliminate poverty housing and to make simple, affordable housing available to the public.

The charity works in partnership with communities and families in need to build houses that are sold to low-income families at no interest and no profit.

Mandy Mathias, president of

the A&M chapter, said the concert is only a small part of the chapter's job within the international organization.

"Our job is to help our affiliate. We provide them with volunteers and provide fund raising," she said.

The A&M students build houses for low-income families every Saturday, along with local volunteers. The chapter, founded in 1992, is one of 600 campus chapters nationwide.

"This is a totally voluntary job," Mathias said. "Students can help as much as they want. If anyone has spare time, they can come on out."

Mathias said the A&M chapter will begin building its own house at the end of November.

Rusleen Maurice, president of the Bryan-College Station board of directors for Habitat for Humanity, said she is very thankful for the campus chapter.

"The A&M chapter does such wonderful things for us," she said.

On a normal Saturday, she said, between 12-15 volunteers help build houses on property that has been donated by individuals or by the cities of Bryan and College Station.

All Habitat projects adhere to a non-discrimination family selection process, starting with the receipt of an application. The families are evaluated based on three criteria: need, ability to repay the loan and references.

## PLO walks out of peace negotiations with Israel

The Associated Press

TABA, Egypt - The PLO walked out of peace talks with Israel on Tuesday, accusing the Israelis of trying to back out of an agreement to withdraw from occupied lands.

Nabil Shaath, the PLO's chief negotiator, charged that Israel wants to redeploy its troops rather than pull them out of the occupied Gaza Strip and the town of Jericho in the West Bank.

Israel's withdrawal plan, he said, ran counter to the Sept. 13 Israel-Palestine Liberation Organization agreement on Palestinian autonomy.

The Palestinian walkout was the first major snag since negotiations began three weeks ago on implementing the first phase of the autonomy plan.

Both sides said they wanted to resume the talks.

The talks in Taba are meant to define how Israel will transfer some powers to Palestinians in Gaza and Jericho under terms of the Israeli-PLO accord.

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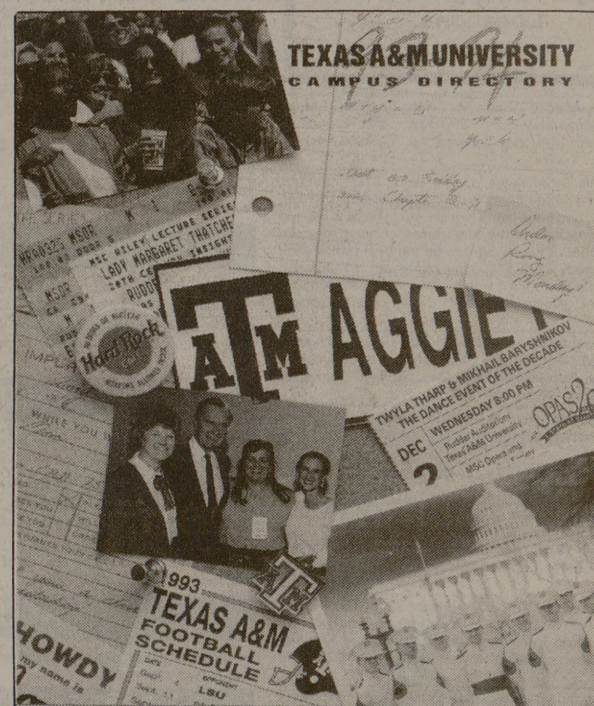
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