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The Battalion

#### Hickey

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A&M's basketball team had the best season in the University's history and became the lowest seed-ed team in NCAA history to reach the sweet 16 round in the tournament. The team finished with a 23-8 record

Thursday, May 5, 1994

Hickey said she told the players

Tuesday of the change and called new recruits and their families. Most of the players were quiet

and some were crying, she said.
"It was real tough," she said. "They're just a great group of people, and it was hard.

Hickey said she looks forward to her new responsibility but will miss coaching.

'It's a big responsibility, and I'm anxious to do the best job I can," she said. "It's definitely a narrowing of scope, but it will be

Hickey said she has seen many changes in her 10 years at A&M, especially a stronger commitment to women's athletics.

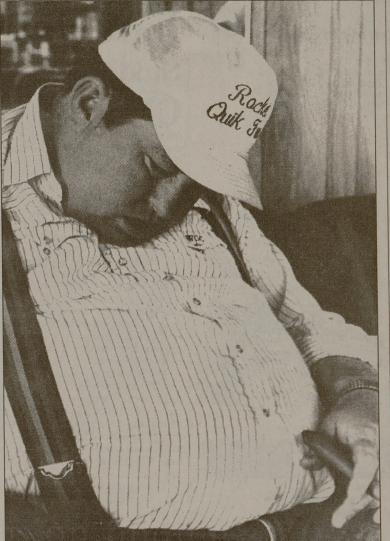
"I think the growth of women's basketball has been a very positive thing," she said. 'The commitment level to all women's athletics has been almost doubled.

Groff said the search for a new head coach will begin immediately. A committee will be created,

including associate and assistant directors, with Hickey as ex post facto chairwoman.

'We want someone who will maintain standards in terms of academic compliance," he said. 'With the successful season we had and the players we have now, it's not going to be hard to sell Hickey said Assistant Coach

Eileen Feeney is one candidate who will probably pursue the head coaching job.



Amy Day/Special to The Battalion

William "Billy Bob" Cobb takes an afternoon nap last Wednesday at the City Barber Shop in Bryan

### Skaters

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lady who got hit, but I don't think with all the budget problems the University would take building a

skate park very seriously."
Ray Hernandez, speaker pro tempore, said he did not support the bill because he did not feel enough research was conducted.
"It is not fair that a decision

like this was made without the students voicing their concerns,' Hernandez said. "They have the right idea, but more research needs to be done. Almost half the Senate voted against it. I think that says a lot

The Senate also passed a resolution encouraging the University administration to request increased state funding for the Sterling C. Evans Library

Kathy Partain, director of the Legislative Study Group, said she

wanted the Senate's support on the matter before her group approached the administration, who will be lobbying for funding before the Texas Legislature next year.

Partain informed the Senate of the library's need for additional funding by quoting them statistics concerning the library.

She said the library ranks 56th out of the top 100 universities' libraries, has experienced book inflation by 9 percent, and has cut 1,100 serial titles since 1992.

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