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## Disagreement between Regents, administration

### Regents say no to demolishing Law and Puryear Halls.

By Lisa Messer  
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The Texas A&M Board of Regents refused Friday to grant A&M administrators the permission to tear down Law and Puryear Halls.

The Board turned down five administrators' requests for permission to initiate demolition of the two residence halls.

University officials had planned to destroy Law and Puryear in the summer of 1995.

Regent Raul Fernandez said the Board was not prepared to start demolition based on the arguments administrators gave.

"Due to the increasing rates of rooms and historical preservation, we are going to defer this request until we have more information brought back to the Board on such a significant action," Fernandez said. "We'll give you a brief time over the summer to strengthen your arguments."

Gen. Ed Peel, vice chancellor for Facilities, Planning and

Construction, said the halls, which were built in 1927, need to come down.

"They are structurally unsound and economically unrepairable," Peel said. "We need to demolish those two buildings and remove them from the site."

Dr. J. Malon Southerland, vice president for student affairs, said University officials have watched the halls since 1975 when structural problems were first identified.

"Repairs have been ongoing since that time," Southerland said. "In 1989 it was very seriously identified that the halls should come down in 1994."

Southerland said that for an unknown reason, administrators did not present the request to the Board in 1994.

"This is the first time we have had the chance for bona fide long term planning so you can have in mind what you need to do," Southerland said.

Southerland said administrators plan to keep the area where Law

and Puryear stand free from construction.

"We want the area to be green space," Southerland said.

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"Whether it would be a park — Law and Puryear Park — we

don't know yet. There will be recognition. We're all interested in that."

Regent Guadalupe Rangel said she did not understand the importance of a park.

"Before we think about giving students green space," Rangel said, "we need to think about giving students a place to sleep and park their cars."

Southerland said A&M officials plan to replace Law and Puryear with a modular style hall, costing \$6.5 million.

"A modular could go behind Duncan Field," Southerland

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### Parking woes may be answered with garage

#### PTTS officials consider putting a parking garage on Fish Lot.

By Lisa Messer  
THE BATTALION

Parking, Transit and Traffic Services officials are considering building a parking garage on West Campus to help ease the increased traffic in that area.

Tom Williams, director of PTTS, said parking on West Campus has been difficult since the College of Business moved into the Wehner Building this month.

"Most of the College of Business students parked in the Zachry Lot before," Williams said.

"There were students who have never parked on West Campus before and don't know where to park."

"Students are learning where to drive and get a space right now. There has to be a getting-used-to period."

Bill Clayton, a member of the Board of Regents, said he has received multiple calls from students complaining about West Campus parking.

"The complaint is that they're driving around for 30 minutes and having to miss classes," Clayton said, "or

they're having to park somewhere and get a ticket."

Guadalupe Rangel, a member of the Board of Regents, said she has received complaints that faculty lots stand open while students park in the mud.

"Obviously, there has to be student parking for the College of Business," Rangel said.

Williams said the sites on West Campus that could hold a garage are limited.

"There aren't many locations left where we can build a garage," Williams said. "We've considered by the creamery or in the peach orchards or possibly

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on Fish Lot."

Williams said Fish Lot may be the best location if PTTS is able to build a new garage.

"Fish Lot is in disrepair right now," he said. "Renovating it would cost about \$800,000 to \$900,000."

Williams said that ideally, the garage would be built to hold 2,000 cars. It would be as large as the Southside Garage, the biggest garage on campus, plus one more floor.

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## Martin crowned Miss Black and Gold

### Twelve A&M students competed for Alpha Phi Alpha's Miss Black and Gold title Saturday night.

By Brad Dressler  
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Tracie Martin, a Texas A&M senior accounting major, was crowned Alpha Phi Alpha's Miss Black and Gold Saturday evening in Rudder Theater.

The Miss Black and Gold Scholarship Pageant is the final activity of Alpha Week at Texas A&M and one of many events and service projects the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity organizes.

Martin and 11 other contestants competed in question-and-answer, evening gown, modeling and introduction categories.

Erica Bell, a junior biochemistry major, placed as first runner up. Darchelle Smith, a senior biology major, was the second runner up.

"Our Bridge to the Future," the theme of the 1995 pageant hosted by Master of Ceremonies Carl Carey Jr., was reflected throughout the evening in the different categories.

Many of the contestants focused on the pride and determination of African-American women in their introduction segments and the talent competition.

Martin performed a dramatic monologue for her introduction, defining herself as a strong African-American woman and focusing on the empowerment and unity of African Americans.

"There is nothing wrong with Black America that cannot be cured by what is right with Black America," she said.

Similarly, Lisa Wells, a junior accounting/management information systems major, spoke of determination during her introduction speech.

"Whatever my mind is set on, I know I will achieve it," she said. "With my mind set on success, I know I will accomplish all my hopes and dreams."

During the talent competition, the women displayed a variety of expertise in many areas ranging from instrumental solos to vocal songs.

Senior Darchelle Smith performed the blues song "Miss Sealy's Blues" from "The Color Purple" while dressed in a 1920s flapper costume.

Andre Cain, chairman of the 1995 Miss Black and Gold Scholarship Pageant, said the pageant's purpose was accomplished with great success.

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Tracie Martin was crowned Miss Black and Gold 1995.



## SUPERBOWL

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MIAMI (AP) — Steve Young simply wanted to get out from under the shadow of Joe Montana. He did more than that Sunday, obliterating it with six touchdown passes as the San Francisco 49ers overwhelmed San Diego 49-26 to become the first team ever to win five Super Bowls.

Young's six TD passes broke the Super Bowl record of five set five years ago by Montana, who led San Francisco to its first four titles. Jerry Rice caught three of them and Ricky Watters caught two more and ran 9 yards for a third score.

This Super Bowl was everything it was supposed to be — a rout. The 49ers, an 18-point favorite, became the 11th straight NFC team to win the NFL title.

Young, the unanimous MVP, finished 24-for-36 for 325 yards without an interception. He also was the game's leading rusher with 49 yards on five carries before leaving with 5:39 left.

It took exactly 4 minutes and 55 seconds for San Francisco to demoralize the Chargers, playing in the Super Bowl for the first time. Touchdown passes by Young of 44 yards to Rice and 51 yards to Watters did the trick.

But more important to Young, it was a smashing certification in his exorcism of Montana's ghost. More important to the 49ers, it completed their single-minded mission of winning the Super Bowl after losing NFC title game three of the last four years.

It also gave George Seifert a Super Bowl title he can call all his own — his first, in 1990, was with a team handed him by Bill Walsh.

Young demonstrated his elation after his fifth TD, a 13-yarder to Rice. He celebrated lying on the ground with his arms signaling touchdown, as Rice trotted into the end zone.

The three TDs by Rice and Watters were another reminder of San Francisco's offensive efficiency over the last 15 years. The only other players to score three touchdowns in a Super Bowl were both 49ers — Rice in 1990 and Roger Craig in 1985.

And the 131 points scored by San Francisco in its three playoff games broke yet another record held by the 1990 team, which scored 126 in its three post-season victories.

Rice, who twice received in-

travenous fluids before the game for flu-like symptoms, caught 10 passes for 149 yards, and administered the quick shock — splitting the San Diego secondary for the first TD just 1:24 into the game. He also caught second-half TD passes of 15 and 7 yards.

But it was the quick TD that probably squelched any thoughts the Chargers, 18-point underdogs, might have had of an upset.

Like most teams in their first Super Bowl, they clearly had the jitters.

They dropped passes, took silly penalties, missed tackles and generally did what most AFC teams have done over the past 11 years — lose big. Only two of the 11 straight NFC wins have been close, with the average margin over the first 10 was 38-15. Coincidentally, that was the score by which the 49ers beat the Chargers on Dec. 11 in a regular-season game.

The highlight for the Chargers came when they were down 42-10 — Andre Coleman's 98-yard kickoff return for a score

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## Business fair hopes to draw A&M students to West Campus this week

### Students can visit with representatives from more than 120 companies this week at the Business Student Council's career fair.

By Wes Swift  
THE BATTALION

More than 120 company representatives will fill the E. L. Wehner Business Administration Building on west campus this week during the Business Student Council's 16th Annual Career Fair, Jan. 30 - Feb. 1.

Mary Frontiera, president of BSC, said 123 companies from retailing, consulting, accounting and manufacturing will be there to actively recruit A&M business students.

Frontiera said the fair is open to business students regardless of class or major.

"Freshman and sophomores can find internships and juniors and seniors can look for full-time jobs," she said.

Those interested can look through the 42 booths each day, introduce themselves to recruiters or take a look at the company packets at their discretion.

Each company's representatives will attend at least one of two fair receptions or banquets.

Julie Hemmeline, BSC vice-president for finance, said the biggest problem for this year's fair has been the College of Business Administration's move from the Blocker Building to the new Wehner Building on west campus.

"There are different problems every year," Hemmeline said. "This year, the biggest problem

is the new building. Most upperclassmen are here in the Wehner Building, but most freshman and sophomores don't have their classes over here."

Hemmeline said all the spaces for the fair were filled by mid-December and a wide variety of firms will be represented.

"We filled our spaces on a first-come, first-serve basis," Hemmeline said. "We have just as many small companies as big firms."

Firms such as Anderson Consulting, Randall's, Bank One and Accente will attend the fair.

Hemmeline said firms at the fair look at a variety of factors while recruiting.

"Companies look at GPR and involvement," Hemmeline said. "They want to see how you work with people. They also want students to show an interest in their company."

Kelly Wilson, an employment specialist with Randall's, said her company's involvement has produced good results.

"We've had wonderful success with the fair," Wilson said. "In fact, we're bringing two A&M alumni that are working for us to the fair."

Wilson said she looks for students with certain attributes.

"We look for enthusiastic, eager, hard-working students," Wilson said.

She also said students should express an interest in her company.

Hemmeline said the fair has grown every year and this year about 20 new companies will attend the fair. Hemmeline said she recommends that all students attend the fair.

"Freshman and sophomores should come to talk to recruiters and see what they look for," Hemmeline said. "For juniors and seniors, it's an opportunity to brush up on your resume, talk to recruiters and find out if the company you're interested in is what you're really looking for."