

## SPORTS BRIEFS

### Lady Aggie softball team to face UTSA

The No. 22 Texas A&M Lady Aggies softball team (15-15) returns home to face the Texas-San Antonio Roadrunners in a doubleheader today at the Lady Aggie Softball Complex. The first game will begin at 5 p.m. and the second game will start at approximately 7 p.m.

A&M is 8-1 overall against UTSA but is coming off an 0-3 swing in the Pony Tournament in Fullerton, California last weekend. The last time UTSA played A&M in College Station was almost a year ago at the grand opening of the Lady Aggie Softball Complex.

### A&M diver, swimmer take honors in NCAA

Texas A&M freshmen diver Jarrod Flores and swimmer Kyle Marden earned honorable mention All-American honors at the 1995 NCAA Division I Men's Swimming and Diving Championships held last weekend.

The tandem's performance helped the team to a 33rd-place tie in the final team standings at the meet held at the Indiana Natatorium.

Flores was A&M's first-ever diver to reach the NCAA Championships and finished as the third-highest freshman point scorer in the nation.

The Aggies will make their debut next season in a new home facility, the 1,300-seat Student Recreational Center Natatorium, which features a 17-foot deep dive pool containing one, three, five, seven-and-one-half and 10-meter diving platforms along with permanent and portable springboards, a bubbler and agitators.

### Recreational Sports to sponsor fun run

Texas A&M's Department of Recreational Sports is sponsoring the fifth annual Kyle Field Ramp Romp on Saturday, April 1 at 9 a.m.

The event includes a 5K course that will begin at Kyle Field, wind its way through the Texas A&M campus, and return to the stadium. Runners will tackle two miles on the flat course and 1.1 miles on the ramps.

The fastest male and female contest participants will receive a \$200 travel voucher from Continental Airlines.

For more information, call Drew McMillen at 845-1887.

## Ready to run on all four cylinders

□ A&M's 1600-m squad looks to match last year's inside success.

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THE BATTALION

The Texas A&M men's outdoor 1600-meter relay team is running fast to capture the same success of last year's indoor team.

With the season well underway, senior All-American Dante Bolden, the lone member from the 1600-meter indoor relay squad that took the national championship, said he expects this team to contend.

"I think we can be one of the top five (teams) in the nation," Bolden said. "Our goal is to run a 3-minute, 5 second relay and make it to nationals."

All-American sophomore hurdler Larry Wade, the team's anchor leg, has the fastest split on the team this season at 46.8 seconds.

Wade said he thinks that this team's success will depend on the conference and the youth of the team.

"There's a lot of pressure in this tight conference, especially since the three legs are new," Wade said. "We are all young."

Wade also said that while competition will make for a tight conference, tough work-



A&M's mens 1600m relay team (from left) Larry Wade, Curt Young, Dante Bolden and Michael McKinney practice Tuesday afternoon at Anderson Track Complex.

outs will be in order to obtain the team's high goals.

"Baylor, Rice and Texas are all good," Wade said. "It will be a tight conference. We do a lot of strength workouts and we do quarter miles. At the beginning of the season, we did more endurance."

The man behind those work-

outs, Texas A&M track coach Ted Nelson, said he is disappointed so far with his team's results.

"I'm a little disappointed with the way we've run so far," Nelson said. "They're not running up to their potential."

Nelson cites the loss of two members from last year's national championship team as the

reason for the team's slow start this season.

"We lost two national champions from last year's indoor team," Nelson said. "Stacy Zamzow and Mike Miller were on last year's team. This team hasn't run up to their capabilities yet."

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## Mature Agassi set for Sampras

TOM DAY

SPORTSWRITER



A year ago, he was drifting aimlessly, his priorities out of order. Since his image meant everything to him and playing tennis was secondary, his career was spiraling downward.

The player who worried so much about how he looked off the court was getting beaten on it.

Overweight and sitting with a disgustingly high No. 24 world ranking considering his talents and capabilities, Andre Agassi had fallen on hard times.

But that was then, and this is now.

Rejuvenated, Agassi has re-molded himself into the world's no. 2 ranked men's professional tennis player. In the space of nine months in 1994, he beat every player in the top ten and won his first U.S. Open title.

In the past, Agassi gained more recognition for his long hair, flashiness and rebellious attitude than for his play on the court. With the exception of his 1992 Wimbledon victory, this was deservedly so, as Agassi had never quite played up to his potential until recently.

Agassi entered play this year on fire with the same intensity he left with in 1994. He promptly won the Australian Open with a toned-down act, focused mind and a new look.

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## Jordan up to old tricks, 55 points routs Knicks

□ The Bulls' superstar leads Chicago past New York 113-111.

NEW YORK (AP) — Forget that stuff about Michael Jordan needing eight or nine games to be what he once was: The past is now.

Jordan scored 55 points Tuesday night in Chicago's 113-111 victory, the highest point total in the NBA this season and the most against New York in the current Madison Square Garden, a place where Jordan has tortured the Knicks plenty of times in years past.

In an atmosphere as hyped as a playoff game, the two teams currently slotted to meet each other in the first round went down to the last seconds. Jordan scored his 54th and 55th

points on a 12-footer with 25.8 seconds to play, giving the Bulls a 111-109 lead.

After John Starks tied the game with two free throws, Jordan, facing a double-team, threaded a pass to Bill Wennington under the basket. Wennington dunked it, and Chicago had the lead with 3.1 seconds left.

After a timeout, Starks fell down at mid-court after taking the inbounds pass with Jordan guarding him. He was called for a backcourt violation that cost the Knicks their last chance.

In his fifth game back from retirement, Jordan was magnificent, hitting 21 of 37 field goals and 10 of 11 free throws in 39 minutes. Raining jumpers over the head of Starks, Jordan started off hot and stayed that way until

the fourth quarter, when he scored 6 points after starting the period 0-for-4.

Despite Jordan's 35-point, 14-for-19 first half, the Bulls didn't take their first lead until the 1:47 mark of the third quarter, when Jordan hit two free throws. In the fourth quarter, Jordan's supporting cast finally started supporting him, building a 99-90 lead after Steve Kerr, Scottie Pippen and B.J. Armstrong hit 3-pointers.

The Knicks came back to tie it on a fast-break layup by Starks with 1:14 left. But Jordan then got his first assist of the game on a pass to Pippen for an 18-footer, and after Patrick Ewing tied it again with two free throws, Jordan dribbled around with Starks glued to him, but still hit the 12-footer.

# SENIORS... YOU CAN STILL MAKE A DIFFERENCE! VOTE FOR CLASS OF '95 GIFT

SELECT FROM:

### 1. CLASS OF 1995 SCHOLARSHIPS

Establish four one-year \$1000 scholarships. The scholarships will be available by application to any new incoming student with a letter of recommendation from a member of the Class of '95.

### 2. 1910 MODEL OF CAMPUS

A museum quality 1910 model of the campus which will be on display as part of the history of Texas A&M. Will include the only two remaining buildings - Nagle Hall and Analytical Services, the second Bonfire, the Interurban Trolley, Old Main, and many other historical buildings that were once were a part of campus.  
Location: To be determined, possibly in the Corps Center.

### 3. ENDOWMENT PACKAGE

- \* **Endowed Diamond Century Club Membership** - Through the Association of Former Students, it will be used to directly benefit student organizations and life.
- \* **John J. Koldus Endowment** - For the quality of student life, it will be used to provide loans or grants to students and assistance for student organizations in support of Texas A&M traditions
- \* **Muster Endowment** - Used to aid Muster in operation and maintenance costs in order to help the committee become self-supporting.
- \* **Sterling C. Evans Library Endowment** - Used to purchase new books and journals with the Class of '95 name on them.

### 4. MUSTER MONUMENT AND ENDOWMENT

A monument depicting the symbolic lighting of candles to commemorate those Aggies that have gone before us. The endowment will be used to aid Muster in operation and maintenance costs in order to help the committee become self-supporting.

Location: To be determined, possibly near the Silver Taps monument.

### 5. STERLING C. EVANS LIBRARY ENDOWMENT

Establish an endowment for the renovation of a West Campus Library group study room which will bear the Class of 1995 name. The Library will match the endowment. In the Evans Library, a Book range/Book plate endowment will be established for the purchase of books and journals.

### 6. STUDENT LEADER RETREAT CENTER

Would provide partial funding for a 4000 sq. foot multipurpose enclosed building that will accommodate the numerous leadership initiatives of students and student organizations. This activity center will be known as the Class of '95 building and would be the first structure implemented on the retreat site.

Location: University property adjacent to Easterwood Airport.

REMEMBER TO VOTE ON WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY IN THE GENERAL ELECTIONS!

**UPCOMING CLASS OF '95 EVENTS:** Senior Weekend (Bash, Banquet, Ring Dance, and Picnic) April 20-23.

Tickets go on sale April 5 at Rudder Box Office. Call 845-1515 for details.

Senior Weekend t-shirts go on sale April 10 in the MSC Hallway.