

# IPEC helps develop Bush library center

□ The committee is finding a niche for Texas A&M's presidential library so that it will stand apart from others.

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The International Programs Enhancement and Coordination Committee is helping with plans for the George Bush Presidential Library Center.

IPEC is currently examining the development of the George Bush Presidential Library, which has resulted in the formation of a new subcommittee.

Headed by Dr. Linda Parrish, College of Education associate dean, the subcommittee has three student members — Carrie Southard, Mag-

ali Hinajosa, Amelia Taurel and Heather Huntley.

Because the presidential library will be divided into the George Bush division and the Texas A&M division, committee members will discuss the theme of the A&M division at the first meeting in late October.

Carrie Southard, a subcommittee member and a sophomore international studies major, said the subcommittee is trying to find a niche for the A&M division that will make it stand apart from other presidential libraries.

"We want to find a role that will make our library unique from other libraries and want to market our library as something special," Southard said.

Once the library is completed, IPEC hopes to bring international leaders to campus and host world conferences that enhance students' opportunities to benefit from the knowledge of those involved with foreign affairs.

Focused on enriching the cultural experiences of A&M students, the IPEC also works closely with Student Government to coordinate international programs and bring educational opportunities to campus.

Dr. Emily Ashworth, head of IPEC, said she helps student organizations and offices with international focuses, promotes international activities and re-

tional studies major, is the head of the International Students Association, a subcommittee of Student Government that works closely with IPEC.

"We are the official representatives of international students," she said. "We are trying to get an international senator and to support international programs on campus if they need help sponsoring or for publicity."

Because of the world's increasing global focus, IPEC is constantly evolving as international opportunities on campus expand.

IPEC is currently involved in planning the Kyle B. Younts international forum. The forum sponsors a symposium each semester which is organized by student government and faculty members.

Ashworth said that this year's symposium will look "at media interpretation of the evaluation of the Mexican economic crisis."

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search and approves proposed study-abroad programs.

"My office is given the responsibility to work with colleges and Student Government to develop programs, as well as look for funding sources that will utilize existing programs and encourage involvement," Ashworth said.

Taurel, a senior interna-

# GOP presidential hopefuls gather for television forum

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GOP Gov. Steve Merrill.

The forum was being televised by the Cable News Network. The candidates got a break when O.J. Simpson cancelled his evening interview on NBC, but still faced competition from viewers from the baseball playoffs.

The GOP gathering could have been billed as a debate. WMUR-TV's forum called for its moderator to interview candidates separately and left no room for interaction among the contenders.

Dole's goal for the forum was to focus on his central campaign theme of balancing the budget and shifting power to the states, all the while drawing a contrast with President Clinton. Aides said they expected a barrage of criticism from the other candidates.

A series of recent New Hampshire polls have shown Dole well ahead of the pack, with support hovering near 35 percent. Buchanan has placed second in the mid-teens, and no other candidate cracks double digits.

MANCHESTER, N.H. (AP) — Front-runner Bob Dole was the target of choice Wednesday as 10 Republican presidential hopefuls gathered in New Hampshire for the first televised issues forum of the 1996 campaign.

The 90-minute event was a symbolic curtain raiser for the campaign here in New Hampshire, where the leadoff presidential primary is four months away. Most of the candidates have been organizing for months, but "this event will get people to realize things are getting serious, that they better start making a choice," said

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