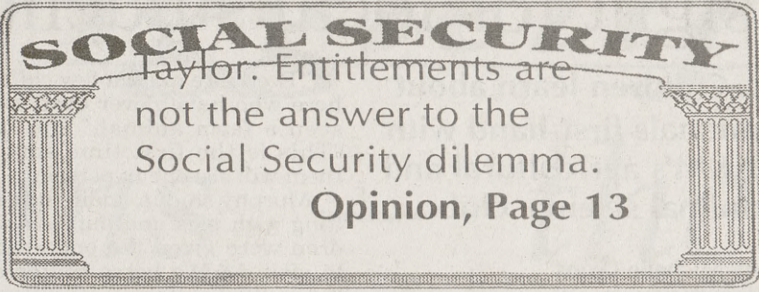


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Student Senate tables cultures bill

The status of the 1993 multiculturalism bill is in limbo. Revisions to the proposal will be suggested before the Nov. 1 Senate meeting.

By Lori Young
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After hours of heated debate, the Student Senate tabled a mea-

sure that would repeal the Senate's 1993 multiculturalism bill.

The Senate first voted 33 for passing and 20 against the Truth in Representation bill, but then voted to reconsider the decision.

The bill states that the "Student Senate would rather have no stated opinion on record than an opinion that does not reflect the opinion of the student body."

Introduced by senators Jason Ross, T. J. Williams, Amy Bigbee, Tracey McAllister and Jesse Czelusta, the bill seeks to repeal the existing American Cultures

International Elective Bill that proposed three hours of American cultures courses.

The representation bill would also provide the Senate the opportunity to conduct further research and "develop legislation that reflects the current student body's opinion."

1993 Student Body President Brian Walker said that year the Senate originally tried to find out what the student body would endorse and design a bill that represented those wants.

Czelusta, an on-campus

northside senator and a senior agricultural economics major, said the Truth in Representation Bill allows the Senate to accurately and fairly represent the student body.

The American Cultures International Elective Bill calls for a three-hour multiculturalism requirement instead of the six-hour requirement proposed by the Faculty Senate.

Several senators and students, however, criticized the

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Groff addresses Kyle concerns

By Lori Young
THE BATTALION

Wally Groff, Texas A&M Athletic Director, addressed student concerns about the proposed Kyle Field expansion at Wednesday's Student Senate meeting.

Groff emphasized that stu-

dents will not have to bear the cost of this three-part expansion.

Phase one of the project deals with the conversion of Kyle Field to natural grass; phase two provides for the building of new varsity tennis facilities; and phase three deals

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OPEN WIDE

Allen Byrd, a fourth year veterinary student, looks at Martie's teeth. Martie is a small cat that was brought to the small animal clinic for a check-up.

Forensic evidence presented in trial

A DNA expert testified that Lori Ann Baker's blood was on the gun Shamburger turned in to the police, as well as on his arm and clothing.

By Wes Swift
THE BATTALION

Jurors in the capital murder trial of Ron Scott Shamburger heard more testimony Wednesday, including the youth minister who helped the defendant surrender to police and two forensic specialists.

Shamburger is charged with the capital murder of Lori Ann Baker, a Texas A&M accounting major. If convicted, he could face the death penalty.

The defense began its case with Steven Biles, a youth minister with the Hillcrest Baptist Church in Bryan. Biles said he received a phone call from Shamburger during the early hours of Sept. 30, 1994, the morning of the murder. Shamburger asked Biles to pick him up at the Exxon gas station at Highway 6 and Harvey Road.

Shamburger described his situation as "a matter of life and death," Biles said.

Once he picked up Shamburger, Biles said, the two drove around town and Shamburger talked about an incident that happened earlier that morning.

Biles said Shamburger was

not frenzied while he talked.

"When he first got into the car [his speech] was just kind of wound up," he said. "Then as we talked, it was kind of reflective."

Biles told the court that Shamburger jumped to several different subjects while talking and gave the minister "bits and pieces" of what had happened. Finally, Shamburger told Biles that he had shot someone earlier that morning, and requested that he be taken to the College Station Police Department so he could turn himself in.

Upon cross-examination, Brazos County District Attorney Bill Turner questioned Biles about the defendant's remorse over the incident.

Earlier, Biles testified that he asked Shamburger in July 1994 to stop participating in the church's youth activities. Shamburger was visibly upset, almost breaking into tears.

But when Turner asked about Shamburger's reaction while in the car and the police station on the night of Baker's death, Biles said he did not recall the defendant coming to tears.

That answer corresponded to the testimony of another witness, Donnie Andreski, a CSPD

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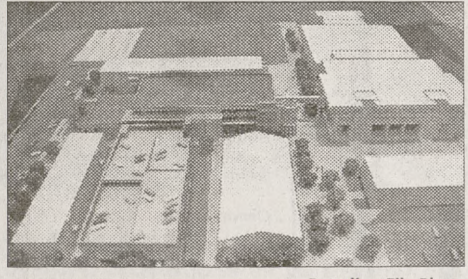


Shamburger

A&M makes plans to expand library

The study complex, to be completed in 1998, will provide students with 24-hour computer access and study space.

By Tara Wilkinson
THE BATTALION



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The expansion of Sterling C. Evans Library is expected to be completed by June 1999. Plans include the construction of a study complex and a parking garage.

Joe Williams, architect in the facilities, planning and construction, said acceptance of bids for the first phase of construction will begin Dec. 12. The project is expected to cost \$25 million. Construction will begin March 1, Williams said, and should be finished about two years later.

Second-phase renovations are scheduled to begin January 1998 and end June 1999.

The Library, Computing and Study complex, which will be built on Parking Area 34, between the Pavilion and the Peterson Building, will be divided into two sections, a two-story student computing center and a four-story library.

A skywalk will connect the fourth floor of the new library to the fourth

floor of Evans library.

Joyce Thornton, executive assistant to the dean and director of Evans library, said that although the library and the student computing center will be housed in the same building, they will be accessed through different doors.

"You can't go through the computing center to get to the library," Thornton said. "They will be separate."

The computing center will provide students 24-hour access to computers and study space.

The library section will contain 60 group-study rooms and general study areas. Reserved-reading rooms and the learning resource center will be relocated from Evans library to the new complex.

Dr. Fred Heath, Evans Library dean and director, said that although some books will be moved from Evans Library to the new library, the Evans Library book collection will not be expanded.

"Because of the way we see the world heading toward electronics, the book collection is a pretty static collection," Heath said. "We'll be leaning more heavily on electronic databases."

To make room for a 650-space parking garage, the old creamery, located between the Heap Building and the Pavilion, will be demolished.

"People will be able to park closer to the Library," Heath said. "They

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TICKETING TROUBLES

PTTS reminds students of parking regulations

New signs put up on West Campus remind students that parking is only allowed in designated areas.

By Kristen Homyk
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Shane Elkins, THE BATTALION

PTTS has placed two new "No Parking" signs on West Campus grassy areas.

As she spoke, tow trucks removed offending cars from the site.

Thomas Williams, director of Parking, Transit and Traffic Services, said students park in any unmarked area on campus at their own risk.

"If you're parked illegally, then you're subject to be towed at any time," Williams said. "If we write warning

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