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Internet Awareness Week
Schedule of Events for
Friday, November 10

Internet Awareness Week is a collection of short seminars designed to teach you how to use the vast resources of the Internet for work, study, and fun. All courses are free and open to the public, so come on down to Rudder Tower and let us show you the wonders of the Net! Copies of the schedules for Internet Awareness Week may be found at any CIS Help Desk, at 301 Rudder Tower, or on the Internet Awareness Week homepage at http://www.tamu.edu/cis/internet_awareness/

Getting Started with the Internet:

The Internet Show - This video is a great guide to the wonderful world of the Internet for beginners. It explains in basic terms what the Internet is and what you can do with it - such as electronic mail, the WWW, Gopher, Internet Relay Chat, and games! About 1.5 hours long. *Chris Barnes, Computing and Information Services.*

Friday, November 10 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm Room 301 Rudder

Using the Internet at Texas A&M University - Need a basic introduction to Internet access at Texas A&M University? This presentation will educate you about the network facilities available at Texas A&M University and the types of communication possible on networks available at Texas A&M. *Dr. Samia Massoud, Computing and Information Services.*

Friday, November 10 10:00 am - 11:00 am Room 302 Rudder

Using the Internet:

Getting Connected to the Internet - Interested in learning to "get connected" to the Internet? This presentation will discuss getting Texas A&M University accounts, as well as the hardware, software, and modems you'll need to get your personal computer connected to the Internet. *Sean Geoghegan, Computing and Information Services.*

Friday, November 10 8:00 am - 9:00 am Room 301 Rudder

How to Use Electronic Mail - Interested in getting "online" so that you can instantly and effectively communicate with more than 80 million people around the world? Use electronic mail! This presentation will cover how to get an electronic mail account, learning how to use electronic mail, how to use Listserv lists and Usenet Newsgroups, as well as a variety of interesting uses for electronic mail. *Dr. Samia Massoud, Computing and Information Services.*

Friday, November 10 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm Room 301 Rudder

How the Internet Has Impacted Departmental Operations - The Department of Mathematics is a large department of over 100 faculty with the largest number of student credit hours taught in the University (nearly 78,000 student credit hours per year). With an operation this large, an efficient form of communication between the departmental administration and the faculty is essential. Over the past year, the Department of Mathematics has used the Internet to disseminate information to the faculty on teaching assignments, course syllabi, textbook information, and the schedule of colloquia. In addition, many of our faculty are using the Internet to disseminate curriculum materials for their students. This demonstration will present an overview of these and other efforts by our department to use the Internet as an efficient means of communication. *Al Boggess, Associate Head, Department of Mathematics.*

Friday, November 10 9:00 am - 10:00 am Room 302 Rudder

Student Ratings of Faculty Online - This presentation will demonstrate course information for students and faculty on Gopher and the WWW, including how faculty can add items to the ratings forms for their courses online, how students can rate courses using the WWW, and the changing culture of evaluation at Texas A&M University. *Mark Troy, Department of Measurement and Research Services.*

Friday, November 10 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm Room 301 Rudder

Discovering Information on the Internet - The number of WWW sites offering information is increasing exponentially every year. In this ever-changing world of information, how can one keep up with all the new sites? What tools are available for finding information on the Internet and which are the best? This session will present ideas such as virtual libraries, search engines, Web crawlers and robots, that are assisting browsers like you in finding the information they want. *Bill Ambrose, Computing and Information Services.*

Friday, November 10 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm Room 302 Rudder

World Wide Web Basics:

Visions of Improved Learning with the Internet and WWW - "The traditional perfunctory grading of large numbers of homework problems does not adequately develop intellectual skills and mature behavior in students. I will describe ongoing attempts to develop a system of peer review of homework papers, which is intended to enhance students' writing skills, critical thinking, and collaborative work. Electronic communication can be very valuable in making this system work effectively; utopian visions and modest proposals for the near future will be offered. Anyone interested in using networked computer facilities to improve undergraduate education, and anyone responsible for helping faculty and students to do that is encouraged to attend." *Stephen Fulling, Texas A&M University Department of Mathematics.*

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The Virtual Studio and the Internet - Access homepages of both students and the LAVA architectural project in the Netherlands and see their joint interactive design studio. It time permits, interact during this meeting with a few of the key persons involved in the "Virtual Studio" both here and in the Netherlands. Anyone interested in seeing what can be done over the Internet in an architectural design studio between two international universities, Texas A&M University and Technical University Eindhoven in the Netherlands, should attend. *Eric Connell, Department of Architecture.*

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Research Services on the Web - The TEES Research Services Web site provides access to information to assist researchers in locating funding opportunities and putting a proposal together. Links are available to sponsor forms and guidelines, RFPs, regulations, etc. This session will be helpful to anyone submitting research proposals to external sponsors. *Jean N. Humphries Director, Research Services Texas Engineering Experiment Station.*

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Technical Aspects of the Web:

How to Create a WWW Page - Would you like to create your own personal WWW homepage? Using tam2000 as our WWW server, we'll create a homepage and register it at Texas A&M University so that the world can see it! You will also learn how to link files and images to your homepage. *Sherri Marx and Jane Carpenter, Computing and Information Services.*

Friday, November 10 11:00 am - 12:00 pm Room 301 Rudder

General Internet Topics:

Benefits of Electronic Publishing - Some organizations are reluctant to get into electronic publishing either because they believe in WWW is just the latest fad or because they cannot afford the additional costs. This session will discuss the cost of not using electronic mediums and some of benefits realized by those using the WWW to advertise and communicate with their customers or students. It will also examine what is needed to publish on the Internet. *Bill Ambrose, Computing and Information Services.*

Friday, November 8 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm Room 301 Rudder

Signs of conspiracy grow; two additional suspects detained

Yitzhak Rabin's killer was part of a right-wing conspiracy that sought to kill other public officials as well, says Israel's police minister.

for bombs and grenades." The weapons — TNT and other explosives, time fuses and a silencer — were discovered in boxes buried in the yard of the home where Amir's mother, Geula, runs a preschool, Israel Radio said. Detectives waited for hours for the children to leave before they began digging. Arms were also found in the attic.

Amir, a 25-year-old law student, insists he acted alone. None of the suspects has been formally charged, and the government has not yet presented any proof to back up its conspiracy allegations.

Skornick's family accused the government of making arrests simply to ease public pressure.

"They're just looking for a scapegoat," said his mother, Esther. "He is not a member of any organi-



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zation. He knew what we all knew — people said Rabin should be murdered. Nobody believed it."

Police are investigating links between the suspects and groups that follow the teachings of the late Meir Kahane, a virulently anti-Arab rabbi. Avishai Raviv, leader of the militant pro-Kahane group Eyal, was arrested earlier in the week.

Eyal, believed to have fewer than 20 members, has been linked to vandalism of Palestinians' cars and assaults on Arabs and human rights activists, but never before to murder.

On Thursday, vandals splashed white paint on Kahane's grave in Jerusalem.

The Shin Bet secret service is investigating a possible connection between the slaying and rabbis who issued religious edicts claiming it was justified to kill Rabin because he planned to return some of the biblical land of Israel to the Palestinians.

GOP, White House accused of threatening federal shutdown

The House voted for another bill extending federal borrowing authority.

GOP borrowing extension legislation, "This legislation is not a debt ceiling increase, it is a shortcut to default."

The White House opposes numerous provisions Republicans tucked into each bill, including abolition of the Commerce Department, and said they went too far in slashing spending and limiting the treasury's ability to maneuver through a borrowing crisis.

Republicans countered that the bills simply delivered downpayments on their plans to balance the budget by 2002 by trimming government and overhauling Medicare and a slew of other programs. They said a president serious about wanting to eliminate deficits, as Clinton has said he is, would sign them.

"If he's not willing to cooperate to pass a balanced budget, then the choice will be his," said Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, R-Kan. "If the government shuts down, his fingerprints are going to be all over it."

House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., accused the administration of waging "a failed attempt to frighten the bond market." He said Clinton was playing "destructive political games at the expense of the American people and at the expense of our children."

But the verbal fencing between the administration and lawmakers masked gulfs that existed among Republicans themselves.

Fueled by its newer, more confrontational members, the House included provisions in the bills eliminating Commerce, limiting lobbying by groups and firms that receive federal funds, narrowing death penalty appeals and taking other steps popular with conservatives. By a vote of 257-165, the House added language to the debt-limit bill making it harder for the government to slap new environmental, health and safety regulations on business

WASHINGTON (AP) — With a potential federal default and government shutdown at stake, Congress toiled over a pair of budget bills Thursday and lurched ever closer to a jolting veto showdown with President Clinton.

A day after approving legislation that would provide stop-gap funds for government agencies through Dec. 1, the House voted 227-194 for another bill extending federal borrowing authority through Dec. 12. Leaders hoped the Senate would complete both measures in a marathon day.

Administration officials pledged that both bills would meet vetoes at the White House because of unacceptable provisions, even though the government's abilities to borrow and spend lapse next week.

That declaration prompted furious rhetoric from both sides that almost overshadowed the day's legislative work.

White House spokesman Mike McCurry said that thanks to Republican intransigence, "default is increasingly likely." Bond prices drooped slightly. He added that "there are no chances at this point" to avoid federal agencies from having to halt some of their work next week.

Leon Panetta, the White House chief of staff, likened the Republican strategy to putting "a gun to the head of the president," adding, "That's a form of terrorism. We are not going to accept that."

Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin said he believed he had the authority to use money from some federal trust funds to keep the government functioning "for some period of time" that he declined to specify. But he still warned of the