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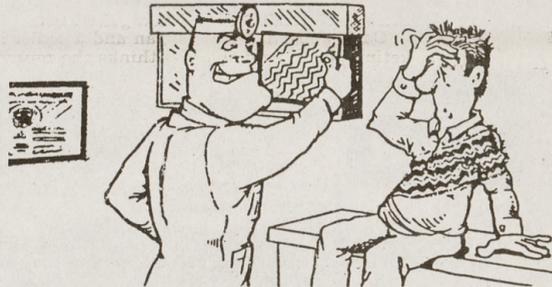
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The Libertarian Party

Speakers:  
**Steve Dasbach, National Chair**  
**Jay Manifold, Texas Chair**

A Program Featuring Two Leaders of the Libertarian Party to Discuss Platforms and Activities of the Libertarians and the Prospects for a Third Major Political Party in American Politics

Monday, November 20, 1995  
7:30 p.m., 206 MSC

The Memorial Student Center, Texas A&M University



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**NEWS BRIEFS**

**KAMU-TV will broadcast forum with Bowen**

Ray Bowen and Friends, a televised question-and-answer show featuring Dr. Ray Bowen, Texas A&M president, will be broadcast on KAMU-TV cable channel 4 at 6 p.m.

The third show of the fall, the broadcast will be aimed primarily toward students. It will be broadcast from Taco Cabana on Texas Avenue across from the Bonfire site.

Bowen will be joined by Toby Boening, Texas A&M student body president, interim vice presidents Dr. Sallie Sheppard and Dr. Jerry Gaston and Dr. Jan Winniford, associate vice president for student affairs.

**Liberal arts dean named to Arts, Sciences board**

Woodrow Jones Jr., dean of the Texas A&M College of Liberal Arts, has been elected to the board of directors of the Council of Colleges of Arts and Sciences.

The council provides a forum for discussing common problems of higher education relating to arts and sciences.

The board of directors consists of nine administrative heads or deans of colleges of arts and sciences.

**RECYCLING**

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DeLarios, also environmental chairperson for the Residence Hall Association, encouraged residents to do what they can to recycle on an individual basis.

Dr. Roy C. Hartman, head of the Center for Waste Management Studies, said that although individual recycling efforts are beneficial, a unified commitment from the University administration is vital to the success of the recycling program, which in past years has been lagging compared to other universities.

"We need to conduct a University-wide waste audit to find the compilation of our waste and accurately identify recyclable items and set up comprehensive processes to successfully collect and market them," Hartman said.

**A&M's Political Forum hosts National Libertarian Party chair**

Jay Manifold, the Texas party chair, said the party is socially tolerant and financially conservative.

By Lily Aguilar  
THE BATTALION

The Democratic and Republican parties are not alone in the American political system, and Texas A&M students will have a chance tonight to become acquainted with one of these growing alternative parties.

The Libertarian Party and its chances for becoming a prominent political force will be discussed tonight with Steve Dasbach, National Libertarian Party chair, and Jay Manifold, the Texas Libertarian party chair, at 7:30 p.m. in 206 MSC.

Refik Sahin, MSC Political Forum director of programming and a freshman civil engineering major, said most students are not aware of the Libertarian views on modern issues. Political Forum is aiming to bring in speakers from several alternative parties in the spring as well, Sahin said.

"Most people think about legalizing marijuana when they think about the Libertarian Party," he said. "Not many people know where the party stands on contemporary issues."

"Political Forum wants students to know about some of the different parties that exist, especially now that Ross Perot is trying to start a major third party."

The 1994 National Platform for the Libertarian Party, which the speakers will discuss,

states the party's goal as "a world set free for our lifetime, and it is to this end that we stand."

The platform also focuses on social and economic issues in domestic and foreign policy.

A main principle of the platform is keeping the government out of voluntary and contractual relations among individual citizens. The platform encompasses issues of freedom, responsibility, religion and communication.

The national platform considers the right to bear arms as "essential to a free society." The party also considers immigration as necessary and calls for "the elimination of all restrictions on immigration, the abolition of Immigration and Naturalization Service and the Border Patrol, and a declaration of full amnesty for all people who have entered the country illegally...."

Jay Manifold will give an overview of the Libertarian Party's struggle for freedom and individual rights. Manifold said he wants to give students an introduction to the Libertarian Party and its history.

"We are socially tolerant and financially conservative," he said. "We believe in a free market and civil liberties. We support the rights of people to conduct their private lives without interference from the government."

Manifold said there may be as many as 1,000 candidates running for the Libertarian Party around the country. He said there were 55 Libertarian candidates in the Texas election.

"We are primarily local, with some state representation," he said. "Libertarian Party members are seen mostly at the municipal and county levels."



**UTILITIES: CS rates to decrease Jan. 1**

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"Right now, so many of the students won't tell us they are going on vacation," Turner said. "We have already read the meter in many places so students can pay and go."

Some students are surprised to return from Christmas break to find that utilities have been used in their apartments while

they have been absent.

"Students should read their meters before they leave if they are going to shut off their breakers," Turner said. "They should then read their meters when they return because apartment managers have the authority to go in and turn on the heating."

College Station electricity rates will decrease Jan. 1, as

the result of a new contract with Texas Utilities Electric Corporation.

Residents who use an average of 1,000 kilowatts will save an estimated \$76 each year.

Students can receive additional information about how to save money on electric bills by calling the College Station Energy Conservation Division at 764-3724.



**HEALTH TIPS**

**Beutel offers suggestions for AIDS prevention**

By Emily Pruitt  
A.P. BEUTEL HEALTH CENTER

Every year the Texas Department of Health does a compilation of the HIV/AIDS statistics for the state. They poll every testing facility that receives partial funding from the state.

The results are sobering, numbing and infuriating. What we find, year after year, is that the problem is not going away. The following statistics were reported by the Texas Department of Health and are current as of June 1995:

- 33,587 AIDS cases have been reported in Texas.
- 19,679 deaths have occurred because of AIDS related illnesses.
- In 1995 alone, 2,626 new cases of AIDS have been reported.

• An estimated 73,000 Texans are infected with HIV, the virus that causes AIDS.

• In Brazos County, there have been 57 deaths due to AIDS related illnesses.

• So far this year, seven new cases of AIDS have been reported in Brazos County.

• 270 pediatric cases of AIDS have been reported in Texas.

• 30,780 of the total reported AIDS cases are male.

• 2,536 of the total reported AIDS cases are female.

As hopeless as all this seems, there is something that can be done. AIDS is not a curse upon people, it is a disease that can be prevented — if not stopped entirely — by education, information and a few behavior changes. HIV/AIDS is spread in only

three ways. The first way is through sexual intercourse (anal, oral or vaginal) with an infected person.

The second route of infection is through transmission of blood between an infected person and an uninfected person. This can be through shared needles, contact between open wounds or transfusion of infected blood.

The third way HIV/AIDS is spread is from mother to unborn child.

In order to protect yourself, as well as decrease the spread of HIV/AIDS, here are a few suggestions:

- Get tested! The A.P. Beutel Health Center offers confidential, as well as anonymous HIV testing. There are other testing sites around the Bryan-College

Station area, some for little or no cost.

• If you have sex, always use a condom with a spermicide containing Nonoxonyl-9.

• Never share needles of any kind with anyone.

• Get educated. Learn everything about HIV and AIDS, and take that information to heart. AIDS is a disease that has no preference. When people say AIDS does not discriminate, they mean it.

Threats are not necessary. Neither are scare tactics. It takes knowledge and changes in behavior to stop the spread of HIV/AIDS. One by one, we can prevent this terrible disease.

For more information on HIV and AIDS, students can come to 016 A.P. Beutel Health Center.



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