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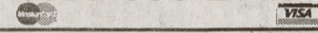
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Candidates

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include international students in more Student Government programs."

Armstrong shared his plans to increase cultural diversity at A&M.

He said he has been working on a campus program with Shawn Williams, NAACP president, and David Brown, College Republicans president.

"We want to put more minority information into History 105 and 106 and Political Science 206 and 207," Armstrong said.

"No one knows about the positive accomplishments of minorities."

Carl Baggett, a presidential candidate and senior accounting major, spoke about his plans to set up a booth once a week in the MSC to gather student input and to implement campus-wide surveys.

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"The psychology department has the capability to (conduct surveys) and has said this plan can be implemented in one month's time."

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— CARL BAGGETT
student body presidential candidate

Baggett said breaking down campus barriers could be accomplished by forming a student body executive council, which would bring together student leaders from across campus.

Also in attendance were several senior yell leader candidates, including

Scott Castillo, Gary Kipe, Jimbo Cross and Drew Howard. One junior yell leader candidate, Jeremy Nelson, came to the forum.

Mark Aguirre, a senior accounting major and president of CAMAC, said the purpose of the forum was to allow students to become familiar with the candidates and to ask them questions.

"There is rarely an opportunity to see everyone, so I feel fortunate that we can see all the candidates," Aguirre said.

"We are going to make this an annual event and hope to increase the size next year." Elections will be held March 27 and 28.

Engineering

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A similar consolidation of nuclear engineering with a larger engineering department occurred at Arizona State University in the early 1990s, which eventually led to the eradication of nuclear engineering.

Keith Holbert, an associate professor in ASU's electrical engineering department, said a "concurrent" at the time of the merger questioned the common sense of combining nuclear engineering with electrical engineering instead of with mechanical engineering, as is proposed at A&M. Mechanical and nuclear engineering have more technical overlap in course material than electrical and nuclear do.

Holbert said the merger has attracted more faculty and students to ASU engineering programs, but that it has also resulted in intradepartmental competition for faculty positions. Sean Pautz, an A&M nuclear engineering doctoral candidate who was an undergraduate at ASU, said intradepartmental competition led to the eventual eradication of nuclear engineering during a budget crisis.

"They said they were going to keep the program and get a new department head, but a couple of months later they were having budget crunches," Pautz said.

"When it came down to making some hard decisions about the allocation of funds, the nuclear engineering program didn't stand a chance. Electrical engineering wanted to have a new professor, so after that, they essentially phased the nuclear engineering program out."

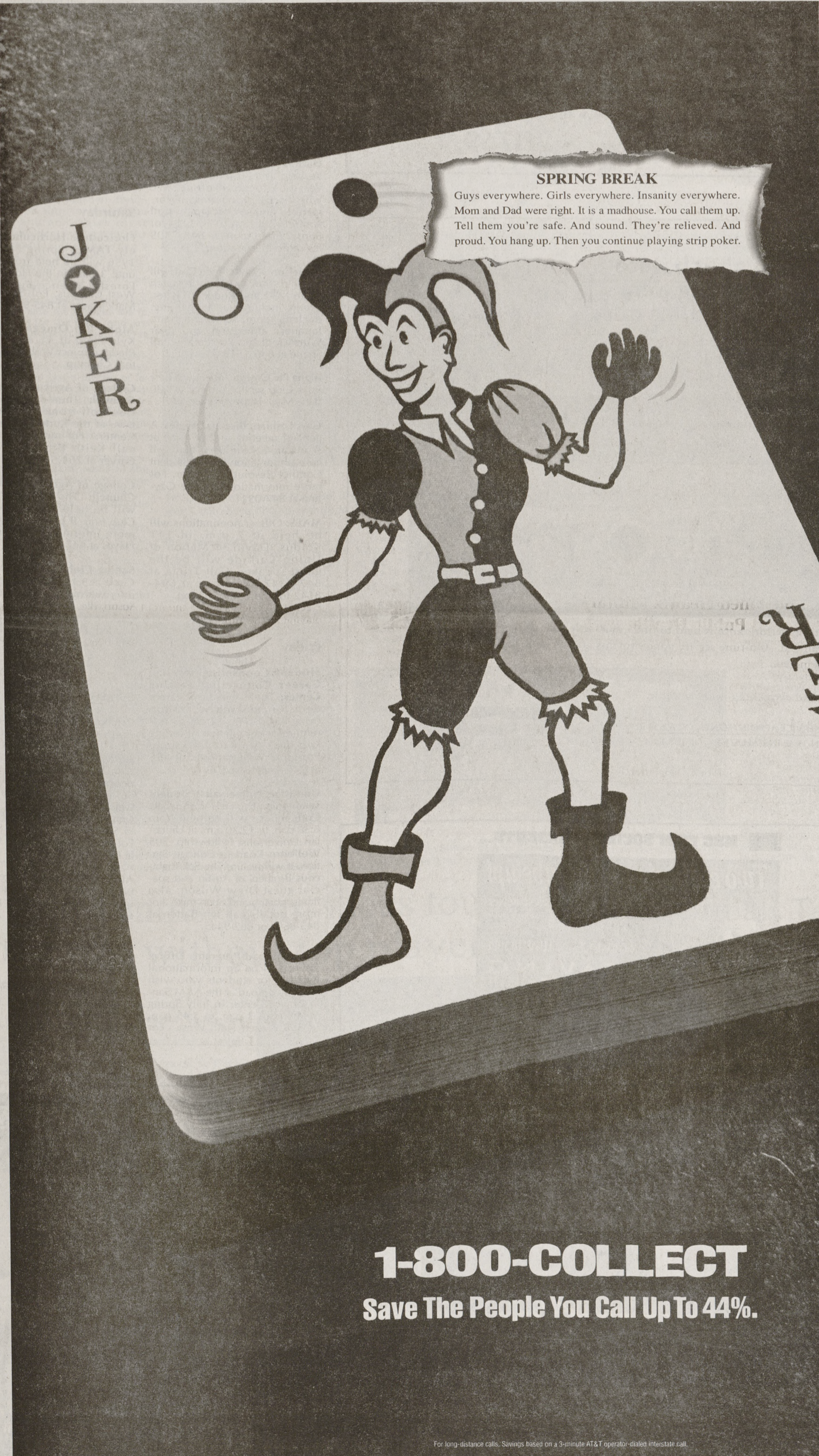
The Massachusetts Institute of Technology and the University of California at Berkeley, universities some look to as role models, have integrated computer and nuclear engineering courses while allowing the two departments to remain financially autonomous.

However, Russell said the departmental consolidation at A&M would include combining the two departments' budgets into one.

Some say that another negative effect of consolidating departments is that it leads to a decline in the amount of specialized attention students receive.

Dr. Bruce McCormick, an A&M computer science professor and former head of the computer science department, said the merger could seriously harm students.

"The degradation of education for the students is a very key issue," McCormick said. "It took many years for this institution to face up to the need for a computer science department — we want to retain that identity."



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Weisberg, who had permitted television cameras in the first trial but barred them from the second, imposed a gag order on the jurors and all other participants out of fear their comments might affect the penalty phase.

In closing arguments, defense lawyers argued that the brothers had been sexually and psychologically abused since they were toddlers, and that they believed their parents would kill them rather than risk disclosure of incest.

The defense portrayed Menendez, a Cuban immigrant and self-made millionaire, as a demonic pervert who tormented his sons.

Their mother was depicted as an erratic, deeply troubled woman who abused alcohol and drugs and once locked her baby in the closet so she could go shopping.

But the prosecution rejected the abuse defense as a lie concocted in prison and pointed to what they said was evidence of premeditation.

The case went to the jury March 1, but deliberations had to start over March 14 when two jurors were replaced because of illness.

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