

# SPORTS

## A Brush with History

### Community celebrates arrival of Olympic torch

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THE BATTALION

After months of anticipation, local Olympic fever came to a head on Friday, May 21, as the Olympic torch passed through Bryan-College Station on its journey across the country to the summer games in Atlanta.

The torch arrived just after 10 a.m. at Coulter Field in Bryan via biplane from Waco. From there, the torch was carried southward through Bryan, traversing the major thoroughfares of Texas Avenue, Villa Maria Drive, and South College Avenue before crossing University Drive to the Texas A&M campus.

After arriving on campus, the torch was carried down Bizzel Street in front of the Administration Building, where free drinks, music and exhibits of various Olympic events were provided for the public to enjoy, free of charge.

The torch then traveled to Wolf Pen Creek Amphitheater for an "Olympic Fanfare" ceremony planned by local officials. The extravaganza featured a performance by the Brazos Valley United Choir, a parachute descent by the Aggies Over Texas and an address by Linda Waltman, a 1980 Olympian and Texas A&M graduate.

The list of runners who carried the torch along its route through the "Twin Cities" consisted of local celebrities, business leaders and Texas A&M administrators. Some of the torchbearers included Texas A&M President Dr. Ray Bowen, local entrepreneur Fred Brown and Texas A&M Volleyball Head Coach Laurie Corbelli, who was an assistant coach for the 1984 USA Volleyball Team.

Bowen, who carried the torch along its path through campus, was pleased with the crowds that lined the route.

"I was blown away to see so many people out — especially all of the school children," Bowen said. "The turn-out reflects the excitement of the community for the event."

Following the ceremonies at Wolf Pen Amphitheater, the torch was carried back to Texas Avenue on its way toward Navasota. From there the torch will be taken to Houston en route to its eventual destination of Atlanta.

Robert Bisor, Interim Director of Human Resources at Texas A&M, was a key figure on the planning committee that brought all of the events together for the torch run. He believed the event was a great opportunity for the community and the university to come together for a common cause.

"It was a historic moment for all individuals that participated, the community and the entire university," Bisor said. "It was also a great boost for the morale, teamwork, and spirit that exists on campus."

Peggy Calliham, Public Relations and Marketing Manager for the City of College Station and a member of the local organizing committee, was also happy to see the enthusiasm generated by all the groups involved in bringing the torch to Brazos County.

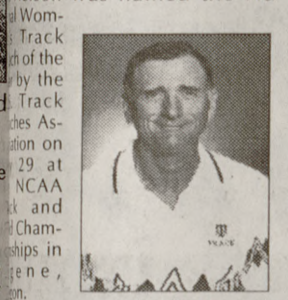
"It was a very unifying experience for the people of Bryan-College Station and everyone involved with the university," Calliham said.



### Sports GLANCE

Nelson named Women's Coach of the Year

Texas A&M Head Track Coach Nelson was named the Na-



NELSON

...this is...  
...this award, especially since...  
...Nelson said...  
...his sixth year as head coach...  
...with the men's and women's...  
...at A&M, Nelson led the...  
...to a second place finish at...  
...SWC Championships in...  
...earlier this month with a...  
...record 13 points.

Track and field finishes in top 25

The NCAA Track and Field Championships last week, the Aggie...  
...ing "bill...  
...with 15 points. With eight...  
...the Lady Aggies finished in...  
...place, the third-best finish for...  
...men in school history.

...men lost critical points when...  
...1000 relay team and 400-me-...  
...ter, who...  
...ed for running out of their...  
...the preliminaries. Tim Bryant...  
...All-American honors in the...  
...jump with a leap of 25-4.5...  
...seventh place.

...the women's side, Rosa Jolivet...  
...Sawyer earned All-Ameri-...  
...colades. Jolivet finished third...  
...100-meter hurdles with a...  
...ided time of 12.97 seconds...  
...finished seventh in the triple...  
...and 12th in the long jump.

Retires after 15 seasons at A&M

...years as Head Softball...  
...at Texas A&M, Bob Brock re-...  
...on Tuesday, May 28 after...  
...ing with A&M athletic director...  
...Croff and senior associate ath-...  
...letic director Lynn Hickey.

...timing was right. I'm tired of...  
...ing and all the other things that...  
...with it," Brock said.

...Brock compiled a 688-255 in his...  
...at A&M, capturing NCAA na-...  
...tles in 1983 and 1987 as well...  
...AW championship in 1982...  
...his tenure, the Lady Aggies...  
...the postseason 10 times, in-...  
...five trips to the NCAA Col-...  
...World Series.

Men's golf fails to advance to third round

The NCAA tournament last...  
...the Texas A&M Men's Golf...  
...failed to qualify for the...  
...round of the tournament by...  
...strokes.

...finishing the first round in...  
...place at 12-over-par, the Ag-...  
...opped to 21st after shooting...  
...over-par in the second round...  
...eam cut was 30-over-par.

...senior Dru Fenimore fin-...  
...the tournament 33rd overall...  
...ning a one-over-par 73 on...  
...nesday and a 77 the following

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