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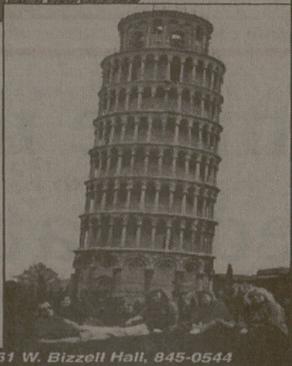
Informational Meetings

Tuesday, July 23
3:45 - 4:30 pm
Friday, July 26
3:15 - 4:00 pm

Room 358
Bizzell Hall W.

Pick up an application at the meeting or drop by the Study Abroad Program Office.

Study Abroad Programs, 161 W. Bizzell Hall, 845-0544



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Informational Meeting
TUESDAY JULY 23 at 1pm
WEDNESDAY JULY 24 at 3pm
FRIDAY JULY 26 at 2pm
All Meetings Held in Bizzell Hall West room 358

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Satellite

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The new satellite communications network will have 26 small satellites in low earth orbit, close enough for users with handheld terminals to send e-mail and data to other users anywhere on Earth.

Georgiades said he and Spasojevic were first asked to review the satellite's communications system for future upgrades. After the first satellite experienced problems, Georgiades said, "the future became present very fast."

Spasojevic said their work went deep into the program.

"We were asked to do more than correct errors," he said. "It was really both error correction and design. At this stage, they (FAD) asked us to help finalize the product, which entails design correction and implementation issues."

Spasojevic has returned to A&M after working in Maryland during the past couple of months with engineers from FAL's prime contractor, Allied Signal. He is now putting finishing touches on his software in an effort to beat the mid-August launch of the first prototype satellite.

"I have enjoyed working on a real application," Spasojevic said. "Normally it is not easy for a doctoral candidate like me to get practical problems."

Ogden

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increase in monies given to the University, they could speak with President Bowen and ask him to raise the GUF."

Meredith Hardeman, a senior speech communications major, disagreed with Ogden's suggestion.

"I would never directly ask for an increase in the GUF," Hardeman said. "That is just giving more money to the bureaucracy of this school. ... I don't want to pay more unless I could direct where it went."

Ogden said despite GUF increases, people are primarily concerned with the quality of the education they receive.

"When given a choice, most people are willing to pay," Ogden said. "People do not want to run the risk of eroding quality."

Ogden said he was optimistic about attempts to change the situation.

"I think there will be a response because this is a valid student complaint," Ogden said. "Personally, I will respond to any initiative that the University puts forth."

Bowen said the first step in increasing the funds is realizing the problem exists.

"I think people in Texas, including our political leadership, need to decide that higher education is a priority," he said. "When people have made up their mind and those messages hit Austin, more money will flow."



Magician maintains magic

HAMBURG, Germany (AP) — Claudia Schiffer says, despite gloomy reports in the tabloids, there's still magic between her and David Copperfield.

Rumors have been floating that the model and the magician, together for three years, are splitting. "There's absolutely nothing in it," Schiffer told the German tabloid Bild in an interview published Tuesday.

Schiffer said she and Copperfield see each other regularly and are, in fact, planning a Caribbean vacation together.

Dr. J.'s son arrested for buying crack

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — The son of basketball great Julius Erving was convicted of buying \$5 worth of crack and will spend one year on probation.

Cheo Erving, 23, was sentenced Monday by Municipal Judge J. Earl Simmons.

His lawyer, Donald Marino, said the younger Erving "admittedly made a very stupid mistake, and he has shown great remorse for it. Something like this will never happen again."

Marino said Erving, who was accompanied in court by his mother, Turquoise, lives with his parents in Villanova and works as a restaurant cook.

"He is, hopefully, in a phase where rehabilitation could be effective," Marino said.

Ford poses with 'greats' in portrait

ST. PAUL (AP) — During the 1970s, Gerald Ford, Valery Giscard d'Estaing, Lord James Callaghan and Helmut Schmidt were busy grappling with worldwide problems like the energy crisis and human rights.

No wonder they didn't have time to pose for a portrait.

Now, the ex-leaders of the United States, France, Great Britain and Germany have been memorialized together in paint by Minnesota artist Mark Balma.

Ford unveiled the portrait Tuesday in the governor's reception room at the state Capitol, the setting for the picture commissioned by the American Enterprise Institute, a conservative think tank in Washington.

The four men never met there, but Balma said he chose the room because of its rich detail: "I wanted to create the feeling that after an intense discussion at the table, the dialogue continues with the vigor of friendship."

Ford, Giscard d'Estaing, Callaghan and Schmidt still meet annually in Vail, Colo.

"It's a unique friendship that developed under very tough pressures and experiences, but it's so genuine that it has gone on and on and on," Ford said.

Gore singing blues birthday draws near

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Guests at a birthday bash for Vice President Al Gore, a Tennesseean, shares an Aug. 19 birthday with President Clinton and the two will celebrate the day before with simultaneous parties in Nashville and New York.

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Olympics muse muses over new baby boy

EDINA, Minn. (AP) — Days after his music welcomed the world to Atlanta, producer Jimmy Jam and his wife welcomed a child to the world.

Jam's wife, Lisa, gave birth Sunday to an 8-pound son, Tyler James.

"It feels absolutely wonderful," Jam said.

Jam and his co-producer Terry Lewis composed the song "Welcome To The World" for the opening ceremonies of the Summer Olympics.

BAH! by Chuck Johnson

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