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## ► Police Beat College Station girl reports sexual assault

College Station police are investigating reports of a sexual assault that allegedly occurred Friday, Aug. 23, between 11 p.m. and 11:30 p.m.

A College Station girl reported Sunday that she was assaulted by three males at a residence in the 1900 block of Anderson Street in College Station.

According to the report, alcohol was involved in the incident.

## Local, national police pursue rape suspect

The search continues for Don Richard Davis Jr., 23, a Texas A&M University graduate who disappeared days before he was to stand trial on charges of raping an A&M student.

Bob Wiatt, University Police Department director, said University, county, state and national police officials are "actively pursuing [Davis]."

Anyone with information on Davis and his whereabouts is encouraged to call Brazos County Crime Stoppers at 775-TIPS or UPD at 845-2345.

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the committee, with Sens. Amy Magee, Alice Gonzales, Lisa Travieso and Jason Schultz filling the remaining four positions.

Reed, Student Body President Carl Baggett and Student Services Chair Eliot Kerlin will serve as ex-officio task force members without voting privileges.

The diverse make-up of the committee, Reed said, allows it to make informed decisions and utilize several different points of view. The members draw from a wide range of student life perspectives, including both on- and off-campus residents, students who have classes on West Campus and several different majors.

Reed said the task force will bring results to campus.

"If we can do anything that will make students feel more safe, then we should do that," he said. "Even if it's small things, they can make a difference."

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had the chance to participate in Student Government will take advantage of the new opportunity.

"The problem is that people who don't get into Student Government their first year end up hating Student Government," she said. "They get turned down and they don't want to be a part of it."

"This committee is for those individuals who have been turned off. We are going to open it up to as many people as we can and then give them projects."

Student Government, Baggett said, does not utilize all of the students.

"There ought to be something else," he said. "We don't need to lose those people. There are too many people who try and then say, 'Forget it, I'm done.'"

Baggett said he also hopes to see more minorities attend A&M, and he has an idea to further such a goal.

"There are a lot of minorities who apply to A&M and are accepted, but the catch rate is very low," he said.

"We are going to create a committee and we are personally going to call each of those students and tell them they are welcome here. We can do that. We have the resources at A&M."

Baggett credits his staff with most of the new ideas. He chose his staff members, he said, for their ability to grow both as individuals and to help the student body.

"You get the people excited and set them off in the right direction, and then they grow as a person," he said. "Our goal ought to be that all the vice presidents grow so much this year, that all the committee members grow and that all the other students grow."

## Clinton, Dole continue to argue tax proposals

MILWAUKEE (AP) — Throwing himself confidently into the fall campaign, President Clinton celebrated Labor Day with a huge battleground-state rally Monday and fresh attacks on Bob Dole's tax-cutting plans.

Before enthusiastic crowds in Milwaukee and De Pere, Clinton laid out his blueprint for the 21st century and said Dole's \$548 billion tax-cutting plan would balloon interest rates and make mortgages, credit cards and car loans more expensive for the middle-class.

Clinton said the country simply cannot afford it and taxpayers would pay for their tax cuts in the end. "Would you go to the bank yourself and borrow to give yourself a tax cut?" he asked a friendly and largely partisan crowd of at least 25,000 on the banks of the Fox River in De Pere.

"Nooooooo!" they shouted back.

"Then why would you hire someone to do it for you?" Clinton responded, issuing a not-so-veiled slap at Dole.

In St. Louis, Dole characterized himself as a "bridge to lower taxes" and said his tax proposal — including an across-the-board 15 percent cut in the income tax rate — amounts to "one big plan (that) gives Americans back more of their hard-earned money."

"Anybody here doesn't want a tax cut, just raise your hand, we'll try to single you out," Dole challenged supporters at a rally in the shadows of the Gateway Arch in St. Louis. "No!" the partisan crowd roared back.

double-digit Labor Day had went on to win Kemp, campaigning late Monday in Michigan, made light of the latest poll results. "We got 'em right where we want 'em — over the top," he told reporters.

The stadium-sized crowd at the De Pere, Wis., outside Green Bay was perhaps the largest of a nine-day period in which Clinton has held 10 battleground states.

Clinton reminded voters of his budget battle with Republicans that shutdown the government in 1995. "If you thought that one was wait until you see what you get with the tax our opposition proposes," he said.

Speaking of Dole and Kemp, he said, "Other guys will say, 'We ought to have (a tax

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Bob Dole  
Presidential candidate

Dole and running mate Jack Kemp called Clinton's bridge to the 21st century — a phrase the president has used frequently — "a toll bridge" for which "every inch of the way, you pay and pay and pay."

But Clinton's attacks on the Dole tax plan resonated with the Labor Day crowd that had packed a city park to hear the president in a state that is a bastion of swing voters. Clinton won Wisconsin in 1992, and polls show him running farther ahead in the state than nationally.

An ABC News poll conducted Wednesday and Thursday showed Clinton had edged upward as the Democratic National Convention ended, with 54 percent of registered voters preferring him in one tracking poll — 20 percentage points over Dole.

History also is on his side: In 60 years of Gallup polls, every presidential candidate with a

five times as big. We'll give you more money for us. Why do you care about the deficit?"

At the same time, Clinton sought to point his \$110 billion tax-cut plan as more responsible because much of it is tied to education.

Dole, meanwhile, reminded the St. Louis crowd that Clinton had promised a middle-class tax cut in 1992, but never came through. "What happened to that? Now he says selected tax cuts? Do you believe him this time?" asked Dole.

Dole insisted he can trim the deficit while giving Americans more of their money back.

Clinton's trip into Wisconsin was aimed at courting the labor vote. "You will have to vote me" in the November election, he declared.

AFL-CIO President John Sweeney urged a crowd to support Clinton, saying they could "for Clinton and continue the progress for workers, or we can elect Bob Dole and watch it tear it all down."

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know we (the administration) are not just here to spend their money."

Roger Gordon, a sophomore geophysics major, is a student who has taken advantage of the president's open-door policy. He said students should not feel intimidated by the president.

"Dr. Bowen is a very friendly person and was happy to see me," Gordon said. "He answered all my questions and even told me about some of the jobs available to people with my degree."

Gordon said that during his 45-minute meeting with Bowen, he gained a better understanding of policy issues.

"After he (Bowen) explained why fee increases are important, I had a much better perspective on the issue," Gordon said. "He swung me around 180 degrees."

When Bowen has some time, he sometimes spends evenings walking his laughing springer spaniel, Abby, around campus. He is also interested in computers and cars.

Being president, Bowen is not all business. The job has its perks.

At the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo last year, Bowen rode a longhorn steer around the arena during the opening ceremonies wearing an Aggie hat with "13-0" on the back. Numbers were a reminder when the A&M football team beat the University of Texas mascot. He also carried the Olympic torch when it came through Bryan-College Station.

Bowen said students realize he and other administrators are human and enjoy interesting things.

"We like to do fun stuff," he said.

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