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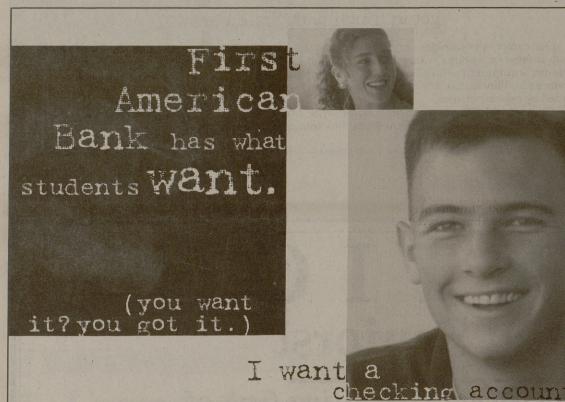
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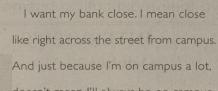




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A&M student makes a bi catch to win grand prize

By Wesley Poston THE BATTALION

Roger Stroman went fishing last weekend and came back with a whale of a tale.

Stroman, a sophomore wildlife and fisheries major, won the McDonald's Big Bass Splash fishing tournament Saturday on Lake Fork near Alba, Texas.

His catch of a 12.17-pound large mouth bass sent him home with a \$21,500 check and a Stratus Bass Boat 285 worth \$23,000.

Last year was Stroman's first time to fish in the tournament or any other, he said.

"I didn't do any good last year at all," he said. This year, however, was a dif-

ferent story. "I had a little more experience this year," he said, "and a little

more patience." Patience made the difference

from Friday, the first day of the tournament to Saturday, Stroman said, when he caught his treasure.

"The first day that I fished that hole I didn't catch anything," he said.

Saturday morning Stroman set out again with "a little more confidence" and landed the biggest fish of the weekend on

his second cast. Stroman, an avid fisherman, had fished in the lake several times and has a good deal of experience in the sport.

"I fish a lot," he said. "I try to go up there once a month, at least.'

The tournament, which is sponsored by the Ronald McDonald House, attracted 3,527 anglers from around the state for the three-day fishing frenzy. The entry fee was \$140 for all three days, making the tournament one of the largest in Texas.

Stroman's father, a guide on the lake, entered his son in the tournament and offered some helpful advice.

The sun was shining on Friday as he headed out alone to seek his fortune underwater.

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Roger Stroman sophomore wildlife fisheries major

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