

Kappa Alpha, Corps under investigation

By BRANDON HAUSENLUCK
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Investigations are under way in unrelated possible hazing incidents involving two Texas A&M fraternities. One is a member of the Kappa Alpha Order and the other is a member of the Corps of Cadets and the other a member of the Kappa Alpha Order. Bob Wiatt, director of the University Police Department, said investigators have not come to any conclusions on the Corps case. [The investigators] are still try-

ing to locate the victim," Wiatt said. "His father reported the incident (over the phone) so it's all hearsay information right now. We have to talk to the victim before we can draw any conclusions," he said.

The cadet's father reported Monday to University police that his son was being hazed by fellow Corps members.

The victim had not reported any such incident to University police or the Department of Student Affairs as of Thursday afternoon.

The second investigation involves a member of the Kappa Alpha Order who had one of his testicles surgically removed as a result of a possible hazing incident that occurred Oct. 14.

The student allegedly complained about a pain in his groin during a fraternity function. He then went to St. Joseph Hospital and was treated for a kidney stone.

After the medication failed to alleviate the pain, a Dallas physician determined the testicle need-

ed to be removed.

Mary Jo Powell, associate director of University Relations, said the University is investigating the incidents thoroughly.

"Texas A&M takes any allegation of hazing very seriously," Powell said. "Investigations must go through the appropriate channels."

Members of the national Kappa Alpha Order have been sent to investigate the incident.

Jon Price, adviser to the Inter-

fraternity Council, said the Department of Student Affairs has initiated a full investigation of the incident.

"It's under a full and complete investigation," Price said. "Pending the outcome of the investigation ... we will determine what level of violation occurred, if any."

Powell said the fraternity could face sanctions from several organizations.

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Hazing is defined in the Texas A&M University regulations handbook as: Any intentional, knowing or reckless act, occurring on or off the campus of an educational institution, by one person alone or acting with others, directed against a student, that endangers the mental or physical health or safety of a student for the purpose of pledging, being initiated into, affiliating with, holding office in or maintaining membership in any organization whose members are or include students at an educational institution.

Four searches for mustache winner will be in milk ad

By JOANNE WHITTEMORE
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Students at Texas A&M will be sporting milk mustaches today to try and win a spot for their face to appear in The Battalion.

The Milk College Tour, part of the Glamour 4.0 College Tour, will be

tutes of Health (NIH) recommends students drink about three glasses of milk a day," he said. "Three out of four college students drink one glass or less of milk a day. What they don't realize is that bone density growth continues through to the mid-30s, so it is still necessary to drink milk."

Olchawa said the Milk College Tour was launched to alert students to the dangers of calcium deficiencies.

"The reason that we decided to go to college campuses was because of the results of these studies," he said. "It's basically a campaign to educate students on the benefits of milk."

Milk provides calcium and eight essential nutrients that can make up for meals that college students often miss.

Katheleen Ladewig, a nutrition specialist at A&M, said in a press release there are various ways to work milk into a diet.

She suggests drinking milk instead of a soft drink at lunch, adding milk to coffee, tea or cocoa, and making canned soup with milk instead of water.

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Dave House, THE BATTALION

Through a pumpkin's eyes

Kristy Walvoord, a senior environmental design major, carves a pumpkin after class Thursday afternoon.

International Student Olympics

Games end this Sunday

By MEREDITH STEWART
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The International Student Olympics at Texas A&M will conclude Sunday after three weekends of competition in which more than 900 students participated.

International students competed in flag football, softball, racquetball, indoor soccer and judo. The games began Oct. 11.

Suzanne Drolesky, director of International Student Services, said the student Olympics are similar to the actual Olympic Games.

"They have the same goal as the regular Olympics, which is to promote peaceful competition among nations," Drolesky said.

International student organizations sent teams representing their home countries. Students compete for their countries individually and through team events.

In some cases, smaller countries without enough members invited others to play with their team.

"It's open to all people, not just members of that association," Drolesky said.

A team representing the United States was added this year.

The International Student Olympics were first held in 1980 and have provided international students with a chance to interact and engage in friendly competition.

Rajesh Kumar, International Students Association president and a business graduate student, said the Olympics helped international students get involved.

"International students don't get to have many social gatherings like Americans," Kumar said. "It's a way for us to get to know each other."

Fen-Ju Tsai, ISA vice president of programs and a sophomore chemical engineering major, said the event is more than just a social gathering or friendly competition.

"It's a way to get rid of stress and have fun," Tsai said. Winners in team events receive a team trophy, and each team member is awarded a certificate. In individual events, a trophy is given to the winner.

Event finals will take place at the Student Recreation Center today from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. and from 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday.



Rony Angkriwan, THE BATTALION

Zahir Latheef, an eighth grade student, and his brother Iabal Latheef, a graduate student in chemical engineering, practice before their tennis match.

Children of all ages need football tickets

By CARLA RENE MARSH
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The University and parents are rolling over a newly enforced policy charging full price for children of all ages to attend Texas A&M football games.

The athletic ticket office has received several complaints in the past from people upset about having to sit next to unrestrained children during a

football game.

Jim Kotch, ticket office manager, said the stadium is not built to accommodate children.

"People call us all the time and say they did not have enough room when they were next to someone with a baby," Kotch said. "Sitting next to them was mama's purse or a diaper bag."

"I don't care how small the baby is, the extra things brought along

with the baby take up just as much room as an adult."

Penny King, associate athletic director, said the policy has always stated that every person who enters Kyle Field must have his or her own ticket.

But in the past, gate keepers did not enforce the policy. They did not require parents to present tickets for children who were not old enough to walk into the stadium.

"Parents would hold children in

their arms to get through the gate and let them wander around in the game," King said.

The policy also bans umbrellas and strollers from the football stadium.

Denise Culver, Class of '90, said she was disappointed that she had to purchase a ticket for her 1-year-old daughter to attend this weekend's Texas Tech football game.

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Chow down in Duncan

Meals for Corps of Cadets includes more than food

By LAURA OLIVEIRA
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At the sound of the bugle, approximately 1,200 cadets come marching in Duncan Dining Hall to chow down each weekday morning and evening.

An exact count of how many cadets will be eating is given to the Duncan Volunteers, and they serve the mob in 12 minutes.

Chris Schwark, executive officer of the Duncan Volunteers and a senior finance major, said the job is stressful at times but rewarding in the end.

"It is a hard and dirty job," he said. "But it is satisfying because we get so many people fed so quickly. We stick together and do it as a team."

Hot plates are ready and waiting for cadets and, like all the other cafeterias, going back for seconds is allowed.

But unlike Sbisa and the Commons, dinner at Duncan has a style of its own.

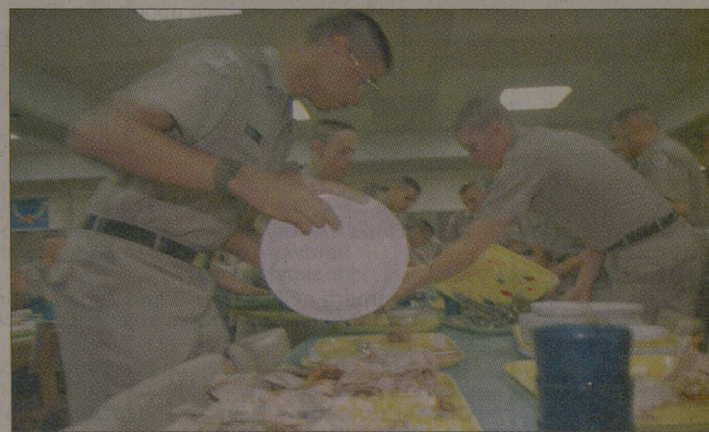
Each of the 32 Corps of Cadets units has a designated table. Upperclassmen begin eating while the freshmen sit at attention and are quizzed by sophomores about A&M facts and traditions — campusologies.

Shouting fills the cafeteria, followed by silence as the cadets all bow their heads in prayer.

Announcements are made, and freshmen and sophomores are finally allowed to begin eating. They rush to finish it in the last 10 minutes of chow.

Jason Heiser, a freshman general studies major, said the eating format was initially difficult to accept, but he has learned to appreciate it.

"It was a pain at first," he said. "But it unifies the Corps and teaches us re-



Rony Angkriwan, THE BATTALION

Freshman cadets in Squadron 13 clean their outfit's tables.

spect for the upperclassmen. They went through it and now it is our turn."

Dinner lasts 30 minutes and each unit cleans its area, leaving the rest for the staff.

The staff consists of 50 Corps members, 13 students

and 30 high school students. The 50 cadets call themselves the Duncan Volunteers.

Schwark said making a mess in Duncan was once an accepted tradition.

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Riots erupt in Florida after police shooting

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (AP) — A rock- and bottle-throwing crowd of several hundred people set fire to businesses and vehicles after police fatally shot a man during a traffic stop Thursday evening.

Several officers were injured in the riot, which involved more than 200 people and continued to rage late Thursday night.

Building fires were burning out of control as the violence kept firefighters from the scene.

"It's just utter chaos," said a police dispatcher. "We have officers injured, quite a few of them."

Hundreds of officers in riot gear barricaded several streets and tried to contain the violence, carrying plastic shields to fend off rocks and other debris. Groups of

youths were running back and forth in the night, aiming at the officers as well as businesses and passing cars.

One officer was shot in the arm, but the injury wasn't serious, a dispatcher said. The police spokesman was not available for comment.

The shooting that sparked the violence happened after two officers stopped a car with two people inside about 5:30 p.m., Tampa television station WTVT reported. The car lurched forward, hitting one of the officers, and the officers opened fire, striking the driver of the car, the station reported.

The man died before reaching Bayfront Medical Center, a hospital spokesman said. He was not identified.

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