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Ring Dunking
The familiar sight of seniors dunking their Aggie Rings in pitchers of beer ended this semester under the direction of the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission. The move came in response to a state law prohibiting the sale of alcohol in a container larger than 32 ounces for consumption by one person.

Don Ganter, owner and founder of the Dixie Chicken, began offering 32-ounce schooners for ring-dunking to replace the 60-ounce pitchers.

Ganter said he still sells the glass pitchers as keepsakes to students, but he sells them empty.

Servings larger than 32 ounces are still available for groups larger than one person.

Post-Tenure Review
The Board of Regents mandated that each of the 10 schools in the Texas A&M University System must develop a process to evaluate tenured faculty. A&M-College Station was the last campus in the System to develop a post-tenure review process.

Although some members of the Faculty Senate strongly opposed the measure, the Senate submitted its recommendation to the Board of Regents following its October meeting.

Chancellor Barry Thompson sent a letter to the Board of Regents Nov. 21 stating that all System schools complied with the mandate.

The Board of Regents will review the processes from each of the schools next semester.

Steve Oberhelman, speaker of the Faculty Senate, said he is optimistic the Board will approve the process without change.

Hopwood vs. The State of Texas
The United States Supreme Court declined to hear the University of Texas' case on race-based admissions in their upcoming session.

The 5th Circuit Court's decision ended preferential admissions and university scholarships at all Texas universities. Mississippi and Louisiana also fall under the 5th Circuit Court's decision, but cite other legal precedents as reasons for non-compliance.

In a forum on Nov. 12, legal experts and university officials from around the state investigated the future of minority admissions in Texas.

Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board Commissioner Kenneth Ashworth expressed concern that surrounding states would draw minorities away from Texas schools with minority scholarships that Texas is no longer able to offer.

Currently, Texas and California are the only states in the nation that do not offer admissions

and scholarships with race as a deciding factor.

Don Davis
Don Davis Jr., a 1995 A&M graduate, was indicted in March in connection with two rapes on the A&M campus in 1995. Released on a \$150,000 bond, Davis disappeared on August 21, five days before his trial.

Davis's car was found near a Little Rock, Ark., airport in September. Davis's parents were arrested in connection with his disappearance.

University Police Department Detective Sgt. Jim Lindholm said the ongoing search for Davis left them with no leads, but the investigation will continue indefinitely.

"Don Davis will eventually surface," he said. "When he does, he will be arrested."

"As long as I'm a police officer and Mr. Davis is running around free, I will be hunting him."

SSFAB
The Student Services Fee Allocation Board's proposal to cut the budgets of five University departments was approved by the Student Senate March 9.

Laurent Therival, Student Government vice president of finance and former chair of the fee allocation committee, said the board wanted to avoid increasing student fees as much as possible.

Therival said the budget cuts were intended to make the organizations operate more efficiently.

The majority of the Student Services Fee pays the salaries of staff working in student services such as Student Affairs and Student Publications.

Carl Baggett
Carl Baggett, a senior accounting major, said the first half of his semester as student body president has been productive.

"We have a very diverse, dynamic student body," he said. "They all work hard to make a better place."

In fulfilling his campaign promise to improve unity among campus organizations, Baggett implemented the Student Executive Council. The council serves as a means for student leaders from across campus to solve common problems.

Baggett said the council has been instrumental in different organizations working together.

Matt Mayfield, Student Government executive vice president and senior animal science major, said increasing safety on campus would be another one of the main issues this semester. The Summer Court Program provided escorts after all, passing even to supplement the security normally provided by the Corps Cadets Guard Room.

Mayfield said much of the reform Baggett was elected on had already been accomplished already.

Charges of sexual assault calls for an emergency response have easily followed for the quick action of the police. They could not deal with the situation. Dr. Ray Bowen described the incident brought on by the seemingly deal with the problem. No matter may disagree with the actions, no one could act he must perform. And he is working through e-mail message he received. This is trying, one grade would be action with student. The council the way it has with the unclean T-shirts. Not seem happy with shirts or Eleph council can put semester with a well-organized. The class gives opportunity between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, and pay a \$650 mailing and handling fee. Refunds will not be made on Aggieldand yearbooks not picked up within one semester of the publication date.

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