

THE BATTALION DEBRIEFING

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Student Democrat elected state leader

Jeff Miller, president of the Texas Aggie Democrats and a junior management major, was elected president of the College Democrats of Texas Saturday in San Antonio.

Miller served as political director of the CDT last year. Of the 14 schools attending the convention, nine voted in favor of Miller. He will continue his duties as president of the Texas Aggie Democrats, the largest and most active College Democrat or Young Democrat chapter in Texas.

► State

Jury returns death sentence to Routier

KERRVILLE (AP) — A housewife accused of fatally stabbing two of her sons and then slashing her throat to make it look like an attack by an intruder was sentenced to death Tuesday.

A jury took four hours to decide the fate of 27-year-old Darlie Routier, who was stone-faced as Judge Mark Tolle read the verdict. Family members wept quietly.

Defense attorneys Richard Mosty and Doug Mulder said they anticipated the punishment.

"We were prepared for the verdict. We knew what was going to happen. I started preparing her this morning. I said, 'Darlie, there's no chance they're going to do anything but give you death,'" Mosty said. "But this is the first step in a long battle."

Asked how he knew the jurors would choose capital punishment, Mosty said: "I looked over at that jury. They weren't listening to what we had to say. This is the wrong place to try a case like this."

Triangle movie to be shown in Fort Worth

FORT WORTH (AP) — A local television station may broadcast a movie about two former military cadets accused in a love-triangle slaying, a judge ruled Tuesday, rejecting arguments that the show would ruin any chance for a fair trial.

Attorneys for former Naval Academy midshipman Diane Zamora, 19, argued against allowing Dallas-Fort Worth's NBC affiliate, KXAS, to show *Love's Deadly Triangle: The Texas Cadet Murders* on Monday.

State District Judge Joe Drago denied Zamora's request for an injunction, but he asked KXAS to voluntarily pull the program. He also urged residents not to watch it.

"I don't intend to watch the movie, and I would encourage the people of Tarrant County to consider not watching this movie," Drago said.

KXAS said the movie will air as scheduled with a disclaimer saying the show is not based on a court case because two trials are pending.

Zamora, who attended the academy in Annapolis, Md., and her 19-year-old fiancée David Graham, an ex-cadet at the Air Force Academy, are charged in the December 1995 killing of Adrienne Jones, 16. Both defendants were high school seniors at the time.

Prosecutors say Zamora and Graham hit Jones in the head with a barbell, shot her in the head and left her in a field after Miss Zamora found out that Graham had a fling with the girl.

UT journalism faces stretched resources

AUSTIN (AP) — The University of Texas' journalism department, with faculty and resources stretched thin by booming enrollment, has received notice from accreditors who have recommended the school be given a year to shape up or be punished.

A team from the Accrediting Council on Education in Journalism and Mass Communications found that the journalism department had too few teachers, not enough equipment and insufficient space to serve an enrollment that has swelled by 70 percent — to 1,292 students — in three years.

The team has recommended that the department be placed on "provisional reaccreditation," meaning it remains accredited but could lose that designation unless it improves.

"They found the curriculum was fine, that we have strong faculty and a strong student body. The problem is our program is too popular," said Mark Yudof, UT provost.

UT is bucking a national trend, in which journalism school enrollments fell from 141,811 in 1991 to 129,276 in 1995, said Lee B. Becker, an Ohio State University professor.

► Nation

Cosby reward will not come from taxes

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Honoring a request from Bill Cosby that no taxpayer money be used, Los Angeles County withdrew a \$12,500 reward Tuesday for information leading to the arrest and conviction of his son's killer.

The Board of Supervisors dropped the offer in a 5-0 vote.

"We should respect the family's wishes," Supervisor Yvonne Brathwaite Burke said.

Ennis Cosby, 27, was shot to death Jan. 16 while changing a tire along a road. The county posted the reward days later.

In a statement last week, Bill Cosby and his wife, Camille, said: "We do not wish to utilize taxpayer money for the reward. We do extend our heartfelt appreciation for the intent."



Rollin' | James Jones, a member of the Houston Hurricanes, a rugby team made up of disabled players, makes a break for the goal line in an exhibition game at the Rec Center Tuesday.

► Yesterday in history

(AP) - Yesterday was Tuesday, Feb. 4, the 35th day of 1997. There were 330 days left in the year.

On that date:

In 1783, Britain declared a formal cessation of hostilities with its former Colonies, the United States of America.

In 1789, electors unanimously chose George Washington to be the first president of the United States.

In 1801, John Marshall was sworn in as chief justice of the United States.

In 1861, delegates from six Southern states met in Montgomery, Ala., to form the Confederate States of America.

In 1945, President Roosevelt, British Prime Minister Winston Churchill and Soviet leader Josef Stalin began a wartime conference at Yalta.

In 1974, newspaper heiress Patricia Hearst was kidnapped in Berkeley, Calif., by the Symbionese Liberation Army.

In 1975, more than 22,000 people died when a severe earthquake struck Guatemala and Honduras.

In 1983, singer Karen Carpenter died in Downey, Calif., at age 32.

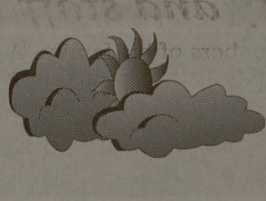

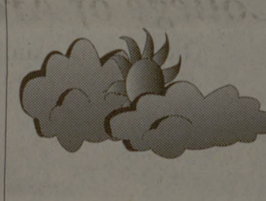
Ten years ago: Flamboyant pianist Liberace, born Wladziu Valentino Liberace, died at his Palm Springs, Calif., home at age 67.

In 1997, Battalion Executive Editor Michael Landauer put the wrong "This Day in History" on page 2, possibly causing some confusion.

► Yesterday's birthdays

Civil rights pioneer Rosa Parks turned 84. Comedian David Brenner turned 52. Former Vice President Dan Quayle turned 50. Rock singer Alice Cooper turned 49. Country singer Clint Black turned 35. Actress Gabrielle Anwar turned 27.

► Weather

Today	Tonight	Tomorrow	Highs & Lows
			Today's Expected High 59°F
Partly cloudy with northeasterly winds of 10-15 mph.	Mostly cloudy with northeasterly winds of 10-15 mph.	Partly cloudy with northeasterly winds.	Tonight's Expected Low 42°F
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