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Over Finals?**

The Following Food Services Locations will be Open to All Students for Quiet Study during Finals Week:

All locations open late Thursday, May 1 and Sunday, May 4 through Tuesday, May 6. Pavilion closed Sunday.

Commons and Sbsa Dining Centers
Open 8:00 pm - 2:00 am
Complimentary Coffee will be available

Bernie's Place and Li'l Bernie's
Open until 1:00 am
For late night pizza

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Open all night,
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Open until 10:00 pm
Complimentary Coffee will be available 4:00 pm to close

Meeting Room close to MSC Front Desk
Complimentary Coffee will be supplied by MSC Food Services at the MSC Front Desk

The Pavilion Snack Bar
Open 7:30 - 10:30 pm
April 28 - May 1 and May 5 - 6
A limited menu will be available during the evening hours

It's our way of helping and saying thanks for letting us serve you this semester.

Vitamin E benefits Alzheimer's victims

BOSTON (AP) — Researchers have found that ordinary vitamin E pills modestly slow Alzheimer's — the first time any treatment has been shown to change the course of the mind-robbing disease.

Patients with moderately severe Alzheimer's who took high doses of the vitamin in a two-year study delayed such major milestones as going into a nursing home by about seven months.

The study — the largest ever involving Alzheimer's — also found that selegiline, or Eldepryl, a standard prescription drug for Parkinson's disease, does the same thing and seems to work about as well as vitamin E.

Both appear to help by protecting brain cells from the damaging effects of oxygen. Experts say this offers an important clue for finding other drugs that will be even more effective.

Dr. John Growdon of Massachusetts General Hospital, one of the researchers, said he has begun routinely giving his Alzheimer's patients vitamin E, the cheaper of the two treatments.

"This is not an overwhelming effect, but it is the first time we have seen long-term benefit," Growdon said. "I find that very encouraging."

The study was directed by Mary Sano, an associate professor of clinical neuropsychology at Columbia University, and was published in Thurs-

day's issue of the New England Journal of Medicine. It found that both vitamin E and selegiline decreased Alzheimer's patients' loss of their ability to bathe, dress, handle money and do other routine chores by about 25 percent.

"It opens up another encouraging avenue for the families of patients with the disease," said Edward Truschke, president of the Alzheimer's Association.

It also raises the possibility that vitamin E might also protect those who are still healthy from eventually getting the disease, although this has not been studied.

"The obvious question is, 'Should I take vitamin E?'" Truschke said. "Because of the other health benefits it has, it probably can't hurt. But at the same time, there are some mild side effects. Anyone taking a new medication should consult with their physician."

Indeed, vitamin E is turning out to be a remarkably versatile nutrient. Some believe it wards off cancer, and there is strong evidence

that it is good for the heart.

Last year, one major study found that vitamin E reduces heart attacks by 75 percent in people who already have bad hearts. Another study found that foods rich in vitamin E — mayonnaise, margarine, salad dressings, oil and eggs — reduce the risk of heart disease.

However, high doses of vitamin E can cause bleeding.

The latest study was conducted on 341 men and women who lived outside their homes but needed supervision. They were randomly assigned to one of four daily treatments: 2,000 international units of vitamin E, 10 milligrams of

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bos, which are dummy pills.

The researchers measured the time these people to reach one of four milestones: admission to a nursing home, inability to perform basic daily activities, progression to dementia or death.

► What's Up?

Thursday

Men's Lacrosse Club: Practice will be held from 4-6 p.m. at the Zachry Fields. Everyone is welcome and no experience is necessary. For details call Todd Hendreks at 764-8561.

Women's Lacrosse: There will be practice from 4-6 p.m. at the Zachry Fields. Beginners are welcome. For more information call Monica at 694-6915.

Aggie R.E.A.C.H.: There will be a general meeting for old and new members at 5:30 p.m. in A.P. Beutel Health Center. For more information contact Marc Wade at 847-7979.

Student American Institute of Floral Design (SAIFD): We will be designing floral arrangements for banquets and school functions at 6 p.m. in 108 Horticulture and Forestry Sciences. For more information call Jamie Smith at 764-6504.

Association of Baptist Students (ABS): A meeting to praise, worship and learn more about God and to meet new friends will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the ABS Center. For more information contact Bobby at 846-3223.

Roadrunners: There will be a 3-4 mile run for runners of all levels. Meet at 5:30 p.m. in front of G. Rollie White. For more information call Dao at 260-2441.

Floral Design Club: Floral arranging for banquets and other special occasions will be held at 6 p.m. in 108 Horticulture/Forestry. Contact Jamie at 764-6504 for details.

Texas A&M Fencing Club: There will be practice from 7-11 p.m. in 267 Read. For details call Bobby Thornton at 691-2296.

Catholic Students Association: A meeting for all who have made an Aggie Awakening Retreat will be held at 6:15 p.m. at St. Mary's Student Center. Daily mass will be held at 12:05 p.m.

at TAMU's All Faiths Chapel.

Rodeo Association: The final college rodeo will be held at the Tabor Road Arena at 7:30 p.m.

Society for Conservation Biology: The last general meeting and pizza party will be held at 5:30 p.m. in 402 Rudder. For more information contact Janet at 694-2992.

Aggie Speleological Society: There will be a general meeting at 8:30 p.m. in 202 Francis. For more information call Will at 847-1612 or Tina at 775-7266.

Friday

Men's Lacrosse Club: Practice will be held from 4-6 p.m. at the Zachry Fields. Everyone is welcome and no experience is necessary. For details call Todd Hendreks at 764-8561.

Roadrunners: There will be a 3-4 mile run for runners of all levels. Meet at 4 p.m. in front of G. Rollie White. For more information call Dao at 260-2441.

Badminton Club: There will be a practice session from 7-10 p.m. at the Student Recreation Center. For more information call Dan Le at 260-9471.

Catholic Students Association Graduate Students Group: A weekly dinner and gathering will be held at 6 p.m. at St. Mary's Student Center. Contact Bob at 779-6713 or Tim at 822-5248 for more information.

Texas A&M Flying Club: There will be a plane wash at 3 p.m. at the Flying Club's Clubhouse at Easterwood Airport. Food will be served. For more information call 845-3329.

Aggie Musician's Society: A free concert will be held from 2 to 10 p.m. at The Grove. Contact Brandon at 693-7998 for more information.

Horseman's Association: The annual

banquet will be held at the Hilton from 6:30-11 p.m. For more information call Shannon Castle at 696-3381.

Rodeo Association: The final college rodeo will be held at the Tabor Road Arena at 7:30 p.m.

Saturday

Phi Beta Lambda: All-day entertainment from 10 local bands to benefit the Brazos Valley Food Bank will be held from 12 p.m. to 11 p.m. at Wolf Pen Creek Amphitheater.

Rodeo Association: The final college rodeo will be at 7:30 p.m. at the Tabor Road Arena.

Sunday

Berachah Church Group: Come join us for Bible study from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Dashiell Room of the Corps Center. Open to all those interested in learning about God and his word. For more information call Tim Taft at 847-2130.

Roadrunners: There will be a 6-8 mile run for runners of all levels. Meet at 5 p.m. in front of G. Rollie White. For more information call Dao at 260-2441.

Catholic Students Association: A meeting for Mary's Aggie Rosary Group will be held at 10 p.m. in the upstairs chapel at St. Mary's. Contact Derek at 693-4058 for more details. Meet for communion services and fellowship at the Brazos Co-jail at 8 a.m. at St. Mary's. Contact St. Mary's at 846-5717 for more information.

Rotaract: There will be an end-of-year picnic from 2-4 p.m. Meet at 1:30 p.m. at Rudder Fountain. For more information call Angie at 847-8421.

AMSA PreMed: There will be an officer retreat at 1 p.m. at Fudruckers. For more information call Harvey at 694-8164.

Ex-Tech (AWHP): The last meeting will be at 7 p.m. in 267 Read. For more information contact Erika at 694-7411.

Monday

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Women's Lacrosse: There will be practice from 4-6 p.m. at the Zachry Fields. Beginners are welcome. For more information call Monica at 694-6915.

Officers' Christian Fellowship: will be Bible study address. I can be a Christian and in the military or Corps of Cadets? 7:30 p.m. in the DaSheill Room of the Corps Center. For more information contact Tara Tip at 847-4102.

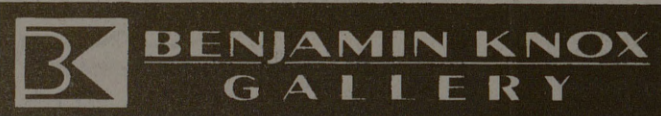
Resurrection Week: There will be a general meeting in either Rudder (check the screen) or in the upstairs chapel. Everyone is welcome, and any help will be very much appreciated. For more information call David at 847-2130.

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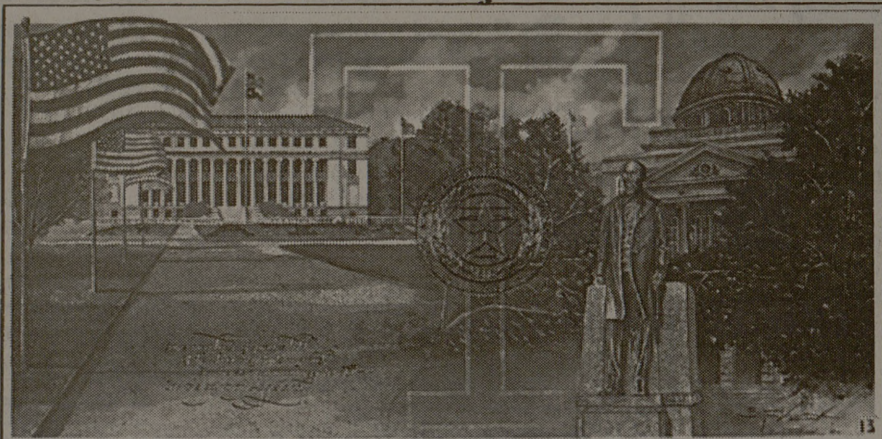
Catholic Students Association: A meeting for Estudiantes Catholicos will be held from 7-9 p.m. in the upstairs chapel at St. Mary's. Contact Octavio at 846-5717 for details.

What's Up is a Battalion newsletter lists non-profit student and events and activities. Items submitted no later than three days in advance of the desired run date. Publication deadlines and notices of events and will not be run in the newsletter. If you have any questions, call the newsroom at 845-3329.

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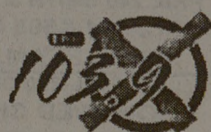
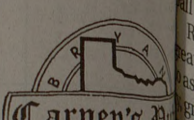
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**Fish Camp
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