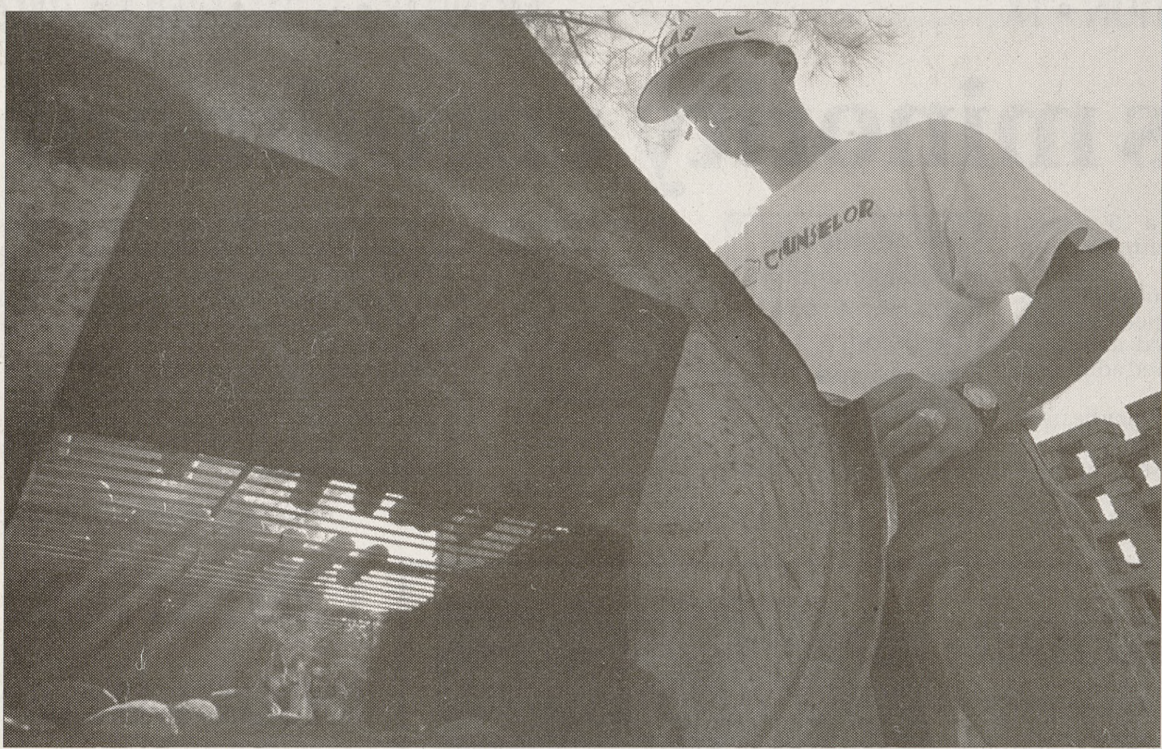


Fire it up



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Phillip Maass, a senior agricultural science major, works the grill for the Aggie Lutheran Welcome picnic Sunday evening.

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Carreathers said the *Hopwood* decision will be the leading civil rights issue for the next several years, but that something should be done as soon as possible to help minorities.

"We need to find some innovative ways to do what needs to be done to increase the recruitment and retention of minority students without violating *Hopwood*," he said.

But some minority students say they are not concerned that race is not considered in admission decisions anymore — it's the elimination of minority scholarships that affects them more.

Carroll Newton, office manager for U.S. College Report, said some minorities do not need financial help to attend college, but others may need financial aid.

"It is about money," Newton said. "Some minority students do not have the opportunity to go to college because of a low family income."

Prior to the *Hopwood* decision, A&M offered a range of scholarships and financial aid to minority students. The President's Achievement Award, the Collegiate Achievement Award and the Distinguished Achievement Award were offered only to black, Hispanic and other minority students.

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Len Li-Fu, a freshman physics major, said she considered other schools because she did not receive any race-based scholarships. She said the only reason she decided to attend A&M was because of the school's engineering department and the need-based scholarship she received.

However, some students say

Hopwood benefits their situations.

Donna Wilson, a freshman psychology major, said she does not have to worry about affording tuition at Texas A&M because of the *Hopwood* decision. Wilson received a scholarship that previously was awarded only to minorities.

Shaun Cuttill, a sophomore computer engineering major, said as a Puerto Rican he would have attracted many race-based scholarships. But he chose not to use his race to get scholarships.

Cuttill said he supports the *Hopwood* decision and expects academic standards to improve because of it. "I believe that *Hopwood* will force Texas schools to raise their standard of education across the board," Cuttill said. "If you can't get the aid for being a minority, then you're going to have to compete on the same level as everyone else."

The Texas Legislature recognized the need for more scholarships based on financial need in the Texas A&M University System and granted \$2.5 million in scholarships through the Board of Regents for the upcoming year.

the library had several requests (for a book), another copy is bought to insure availability for high-demand items." The new policy will be used for all borrowed library items, except materials that have an abbreviated loan period, such as reserve materials. These items use a different fine policy that is already being used.

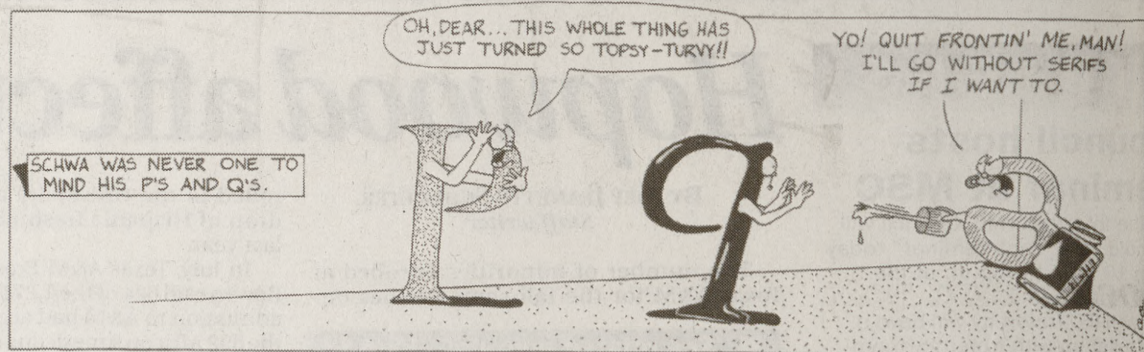
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"The suggestions ranged from monitoring interlibrary loans to monitoring requests for books," Heath said. "If

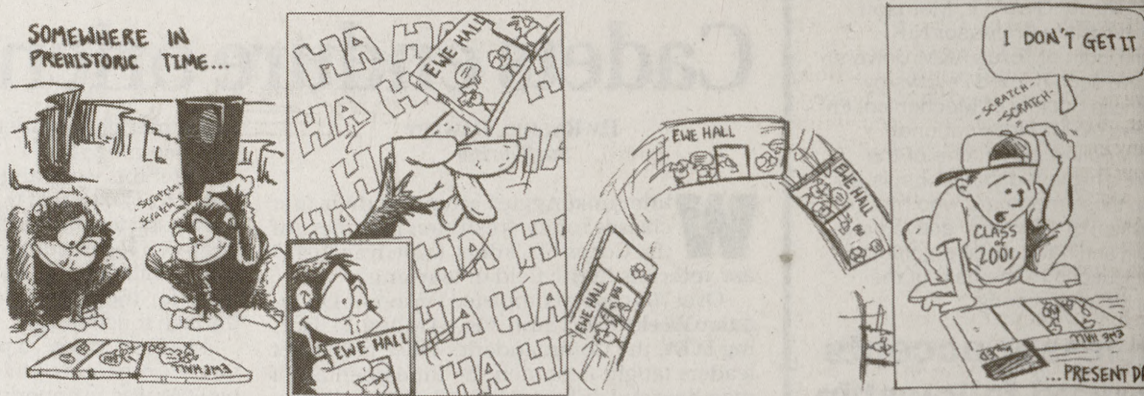
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