

BRIEFS

ITS will conduct bicycle program

The University Police Department, the Department of Parking, Transit and Traffic Services will hold a bicycle identification program from 9 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. today between the Tower and the MSC. ITS officers will complete registration paperwork and UPD officers will engrave bicycles with the owner's license number. The program is free.

Suspected robber faces ID hearing

BROWNSVILLE (AP) — A man arrested in Florida for allegedly killing \$22 million from an armored car company will remain in custody for at least a few more days if authorities prove he is who they say he is.

A federal magistrate has ordered an identification hearing Thursday which prosecutors must show the man they have in custody is Philip Noel Johnson.

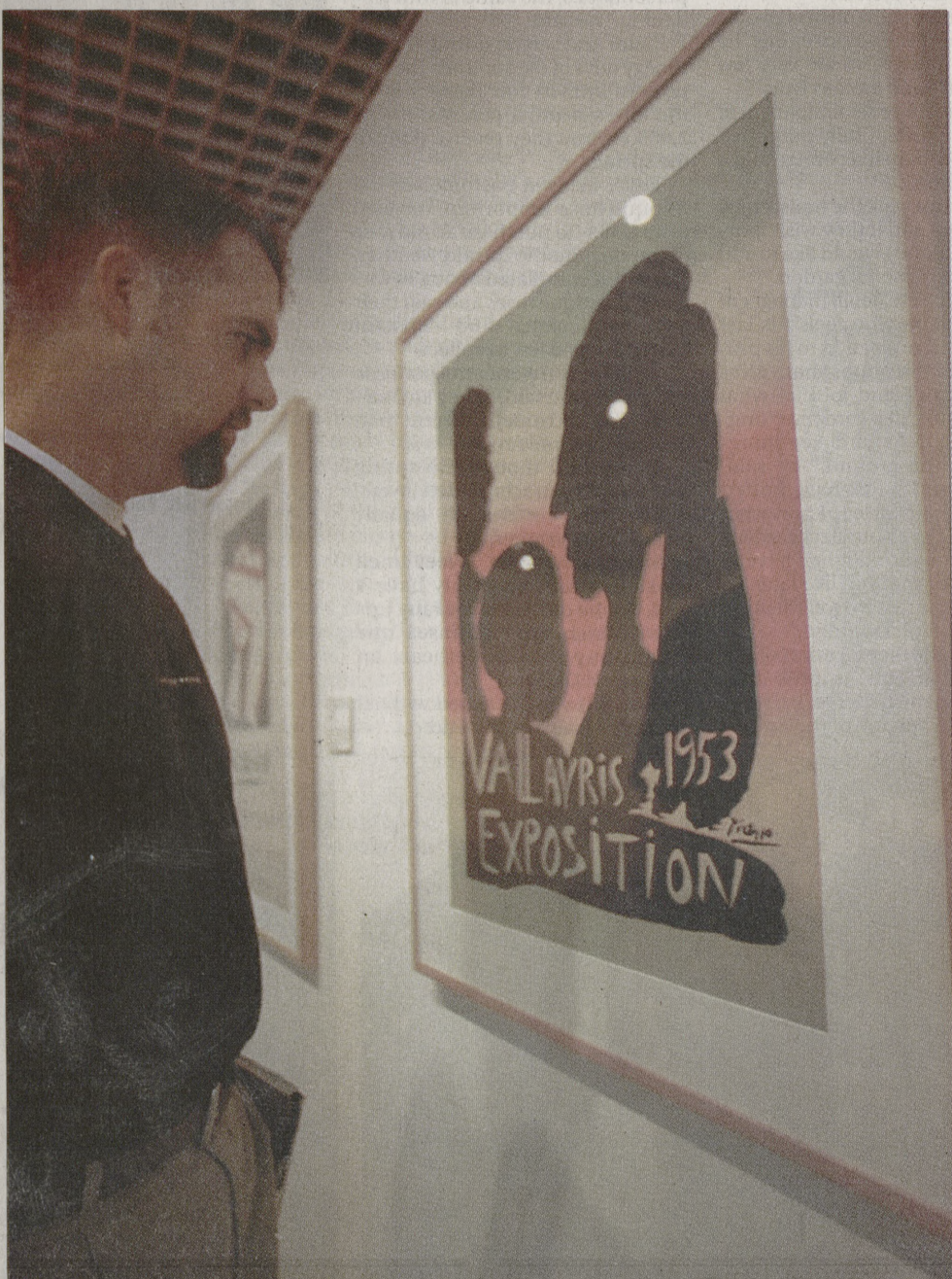
Johnson, 33, a former armored driver for Loomis, Fargo & Co., accused of raiding the vault of the company's Jacksonville, Fla., office on March 29. The heist was one of the biggest in U.S. history.

Woman becomes chief of security

AUSTIN (AP) — A 21-year veteran of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice is the first woman to head prison security. Janie Cockrell, 44, began working for the department in 1976 at a state prison in Huntsville. Since then, she has served as a TJDC regional coordinator for social services and special needs, a warden and regional director for all prisons in central Texas.

As deputy director for security, Cockrell will oversee operations of 1000 correctional officers holding 114,400 inmates at 81 state prisons. Cockrell replaces Jerry Peterson, who retired last month after a 28-year career in the state prison system. She is the highest ranking female in the department.

Silent observer



Rick Odum, a junior history major, examines the Vallauris Exposition in the MSC art gallery. The exhibit runs through mid October.

Center extends job opportunities to A&M students

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The Student Employment Center, offered by the Texas A&M Department of Student Financial Aid, is service starting this fall that will post on- and off-campus employment opportunities on the World Wide Web.

Employers in the Bryan-College Station area and all on-campus employers are participating.

The service helps students find part-time jobs while they are going to school. A&M students can complete on-line applications that will be made available to employers. After searching through the list of job openings, students can send applications and resumes to the employers by e-mail.

Robert Lawson, the assistant director of Financial Aid, said if an off-campus employer does not have access to the Internet, the Center will forward the student's resume to the employer.

"We want this to be as simple as possible, and effective as possible," he said. "No one will be included or excluded solely based on their access to the Internet."

Although the service will consolidate the process of looking for part-time employment into a few centralized steps, students will still be responsible for initiating the hiring process, such as setting up interviews.

Lawson said this service will help students when looking for a job after they graduate from college.

"Financial Aid has always provided access to higher education, but now we are adding intrinsic value to the students themselves," he said. "By providing access to work experience, we are making students more valuable to future employers."

Lawson said the Student Employment Center will help lower the cost of education by helping students find quality jobs.

"Personally, I want to reduce the cost of education for students," he said. "Today the more a student borrows, the more in-

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ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, FINANCIAL AID

terest is charged, the higher the cost of school and the more they go into debt. This service will make more, better-paying jobs easily accessible to the student."

Lawson said the Student Employment Center assists students in trying possible career choices.

"As soon as a student figures out what they would like to do with their life, we can help them find employment that relates so the student can find out if that is really what they want to do," he said.

Lawson said another reason the Center is being formed is that despite the many students working on campus, there was no human resources department to represent them.

"If a student worker is discriminated against, there is limited recourse for them," he said. "We plan to address students as a huge employee group. Policies and procedures will be set out in order for the Center to truly become a human resources department for students and to give student workers rights."

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Get a job

Internships prepare Aggies for real world

BY KARIE FEHLER
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Although for some A&M students the summer is a time to relax and take a break from classes, other students use the summer months to gain work experience at internships.

Jay Greenberg, a senior industrial engineering major, interned for Andersen Consulting in its Dallas office this summer. He assisted Andersen Consulting with computer programming and the development of an application on the World Wide Web.

Greenberg said the internship helped prepare him for the business world.

"The work experience is invaluable," he said. "I would definitely recommend summer internships because they help you gain invaluable insight into the real world experience."

Greenberg said that the internship will benefit him when he enters the job market.

"When I get on a job, I won't have to go through the whole 'initiation' period," he said. "The schedule is different and the expectations are different."

Megan Witcher, a senior management information systems major, interned for Coopers and Lybrand of New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut.

She worked on an international software development project and attended client engagements with information technology controls and security. "I wanted to leave Texas to explore industries not prevalent in Texas," Witcher said.

She will return to Coopers and Lybrand for a job in June 1998.

Witcher said the internship provided her with experience she could not find in the classroom.

"I think it is essential to complete significant work experience applicable to your field to

confirm your career choice," she said. "You learn communication skills in dealing with people that you can't always get in a classroom. The knowledge I gained in those three months will be valuable as I complete my last year in school."

Lauri Morgan, a senior management information systems major, interned in Houston as a technology consultant for Rexton Interactive. She left Houston with a job offer she is considering.

"It was overall a really great experience," Morgan said.

Morgan said although she works in the A&M Career Center and has placed many students with internships, she never grasped the importance of these experiences until this summer.

"A lot of people are concerned with grades when they begin to look for a job, but any experience you can get through something like an internship is invaluable when beginning the interviewing process," she said.

The Career Center can help find internships for students. Terri Morrison, the assistant director of the Career Center, said the internship application process is simple.

"There's such a tremendous resource right here at the Career Center to assist students seeking internships," she said.

To apply for an internship, students must purchase a resume disc first. The resume disc has a program that guides students through the resume process. Students add their personal information and a resume is generated.

Then, the student must attend a Career Center orientation and register the disc resume. After being registered, students gain access to Internet resources. This access includes the ability to view various company qualifications and job descriptions for positions available.

Service pairs job-seekers with employers

BY AMANDA SMITH
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Texas A&M students should start submitting resumes to the Career Center before the on-campus interviewing and recruiting for jobs and internships begins Sept. 24.

Terri Morrison, the assistant placement director at the Career Center, said A&M has led the nation in on-campus recruiting for the past four years.

She said about 700 recruiters are expected this fall; this is almost 100 more recruiters than last year.

Glen Payne, the associate director of placement at the Career Center, said that students must give their resumes to the Center to get interviews.

Morrison also said when students submit their resume discs they have access to the Career Center's database of information about on-campus interviews, a nationwide listing of jobs and a resume referral service.

"It's a very tailored service," she said. "Students have to be

registered to get access."

Morrison said that students can use the same disc through their college years.

"We have graduate students still using the same discs that they used as undergrads," she said.

Leigh Turner, the director of the Career Center, said since the center is one office on campus instead of in the different colleges, it is easier for the employers and students to find each other.

Payne said the interviews will be held in interview rooms at the Career Center in 209 Koldus, the MSC and the sky boxes at Kyle Field.

Turner said some companies may not return to campus in the spring. She said that December, May and August graduates need to submit their resumes early in the fall semester. She also said undergraduate students looking for summer internships should also give their resumes to the Center now.

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Boiler summer credited to trees

AUSTIN (AP) — For the first time in 1987, the high temperature in Austin has failed to break 100 degrees this year. And one big reason lies on trees.

Austin has a really neat green-island effect for the city," said Cristy Shell, weather service meteorologist. "All of the trees in place, and the vegetation on the ground, have been taking the ultraviolet radiation out of the air."

"Take that along with Lake Travis area, which is also absorbing a lot of heat, and it shows up two to three degrees cooler than everywhere else," she said.

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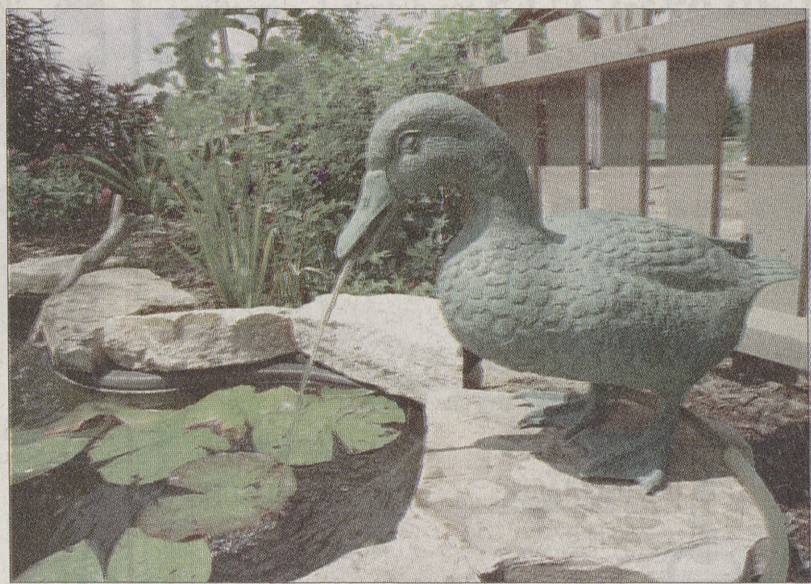
Tobacco, cigarette smokers fall under fire of advertising as guidelines may soon be put into law.

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Everything is coming up
Roses



Gardener displays variety of historic flowers

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A garden filled with antique roses Martha Washington may have planted in her own flower bed, can be found at a quaint emporium outside of Independence, Texas.

Mike Shoup, owner of the Antique Rose Emporium, began the garden after finding several old-fashioned varieties of roses hidden in cemeteries and lost in neglected land areas. The flowers withstood the test of time, and their beauty had not faded.

So Shoup uprooted the historical remnants and gave the old roses a more pleasant home.

Now he and about 30 employees supply tender love and care for over 300 varieties of roses.

"What we realized is we had plants from 150 years ago or older," he said. "We try to reintroduce varieties that have been forgotten."

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