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Service offers

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By Jenara Kocks

Staff writer

cultural Services was created in

1987, the only resources on mi-

nority issues available to A&M

students were recruiters in the ad-

missions counseling department.

Multicultural Services since 1987,

said the recruiters traveled a lot,

and some minority students want-

ed a permanent office to address

minority issues at A&M. University

officials granted a request from stu-

form a minority office.

time employees

dents to establish a committee to

full-time employees formed the

Multicultural Service Center in September 1987. The center, then

a part of the Department of Stu-

dent Activities, was in Bizzell Hall.

is in the MSC and has 12 full-

business analysis major who has

participated in the Southern Black

Student Leadership Conference,

National Society of Black Engineers

and Brothers of the Round Table,

said the department is a symbol of

By ROBERT SMITH

Staff writer

Dining Hall, Commons Lobby, Spence Street, the Ag Cafe and

James Barrett, consultant for

donor resource development for

the American Red Cross and Class

of '85, said this week's blood drive

selves and for others," he said.

"This is a great opportunity for Aggies to do something for them-

The American Red Cross will

donates blood on campus this

times a year or every 56 days. Al-

though donors must go through an

hour of processing before giving

blood, the actual donation process

takes about 10 minutes, and each

Lounge B on the Quadrangle.

could help save lives.

Today, the department's office

Theodore Johnson, a senior

Carreathers and three other

Kevin Carreathers, director of

Until the Department of Multi-

minority issues

▶ Department of Multicultural Services

"Right now, minority students

are under-represented at A&M,

Johnson said. "The University

says, 'We are for diversity.' This is

one way, through these (the de-

partment's) programs, the Uni-

versity can help keep their

partment was created, it focused

on the retention of African-

American and Hispanic students

on campus. Now, he said, the de-

partment also tries to retain

Asian-American and Native-

American students and to teach

people associated with the Uni-

tion programs for faculty, staff and students," Carreathers said. "We

deal with all diversity issues and

all aspects of diversity, including

campus is more diverse today

tions press release, the Noel/Levitz

National Center for Retention gave

the department a Retention Excel-

Carreathers said the A&M

According to a University Rela-

ethnicity, gender and race.'

lence Award in 1989.

the University's commitment to PLEASE SEE DIVERSITY ON PAGE 5.

Red Cross to conduct

campus blood drive

'We provide diversity educa-

versity about diversity.

Carreathers said when the de-

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NASA employee Lucy Yates will vhich UCLA failed peak today at 101 Wehner Building pass play at the out her role at NASA and the future the International Space Station. Yates, manager of the ISS Busireparation for Teless Management Office at Johnson lose sometimes pace Center, will speak from 9 to a.m. and from 10 to 11 a.m. ek is going to beat Yates also will answer questions nis week, I'm goi out events in space exploration.

em. I want then ean receives xcellence Award

Dr. Karen Watson, associate engiering dean at Texas A&M, was one nine recipients of the 1997 Presintial Award for Excellence in Scice, Mathematics and Engineering eginning of the four ntoring, awarded Thursday by the nite House.

Watson, the associate dean for It hurts. I'm in pa raduate and undergraduate proit. But I'm not go ams in the Dwight Look College of ineering, is the first woman to I John Mackovics ld a dean position in the College of e his team with

gineering. LA could just as The awards, which are funded and anked in the Top aministered by the National Science bably be No. 6 int oundation, recognize individuals for veek if they conve eir outstanding efforts in mentoring ch of those first the areas of math and science.

catch Texas with two professors ractice most of elected honorees

he Longhorns' Two A&M civil engineering profes rs have been elected honorary aid he will decide members of the American Society of ther to start Brown will Engineers (ASCE), the nation's lest national engineering society. little bit of a proble Dr. James T.P. Yao and Dr. Walter P. or both quarterly ore will receive the honor in Octo-l play them a little at a SCE's annual convention. o said. "James Bro Yao is a former head of the A&M n healthy and an vil engineering department and has e other kid (Wall thored several technical papers on

er but he's not go arious topics. Moore is founder and director of M's Interdisciplinary Center for ding Design and Construction.

lan arrested after explosion

ORT WORTH (AP) - A 28-year-Fort Worth man was arrested day on charges that his theft gas stove and shutoff valve to an explosion at an apart-NG INTERNSHIPPENT complex that injured five ple, two critically.

> William Lee Monroe was booked o Tarrant County Jail on aggravatints after the Friday explosion at Park Hill Apartments, said Bart cEntire of the U.S. Bureau of Alco-

I, Tobacco and Firearms An arrest affidavit said Monroe s moving from the complex Friday d stole the stove, valve and refrigator from the unit to outfit the chen at his new residence.

The missing gas valve allowed tural gas to fill the apartment, ding to the explosion in the plex on Fort Worth's south st side, McEntire said.

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Multicultural celebration includes Hopwood panel

COLLEGE STATION • TX

By BENJI CHENG Staff writer

A Hopwood discussion panel featuring Dr. Ray M. Bowen, Texas A&M president, was part of the Department of Multicultural Services' 10-year anniversary celebra-

tion this weekend. Other events included a performance by jazz artist Karen Chavis and the Big Apple Trio, a careers/professional schools workshop and a will continue to hurt A&M's diversi-

worship service Sunday morning. Kevin Carreathers, director of Multicultural Services, said the department's goal of diversifying A&M

s unfinished. "There's a lot of work that needs to be done," he said.

During the Hopwood discussion panel, Bowen said the University needed to address Hopwood-related issues on campus. He also said the effects of the Hopwood decision

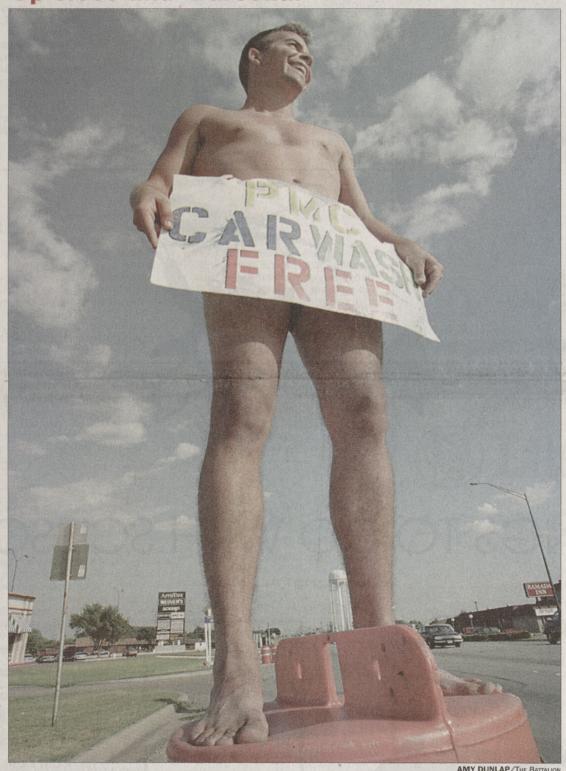
ty if the issues are left unresolved. "A&M has changed dramatically (over the years)," Bowen said. "It needs to change more.'

Gary Engelgau, executive director of Admissions and Records, said minority admissions had been rising steadily until this year.

'Hopwood has knocked us back two or three years considering the progress we were making," he said.

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Up close and 'Parsonal'



Mike Canon, a sophomore marketing major, attracts attention on Texas Avenue advertising a carwash supporting Parsons Mounted Cavalry.

that patients in the Brazos Valley need about 10,000 pints of blood each year; The American Red Cross will be at Texas A&M this week conducting people in the Brazos Valley donate its semiannual blood drive. 5,000 pints of blood each year. Donations can be made Monday

Barrett said the campus blood through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4:30 drive helps supply blood to medical p.m. at six campus locations, infacilities in Texas. cluding Rudder fountain, Sbisa

person gives one pint of blood.

The American Red Cross reports

'We give blood to all of the hospitals in the Brazos County," Barrett aid. "This (blood drive) covers the southwest area [of Texas], including Dallas and Waco.

Barrett said he began donating blood while in college

'We really need young people," Barrett said. "Someone needs to donate before there is a crisis, because it takes about three days before the blood is available

Barrett said only 5 percent of Americans donate blood. give free T-shirts to everyone who

"A person can help save someone's life just by giving an hour of Donors can give blood up to six their time," he said.

To be eligible to donate blood, a person must be 17 years old, weigh 110 pounds and be in good health. Donors also must have a donor card or photo identification.

Students recognize heritage month RHA sponsors Welcome Bash

By JOEY JEANETTE SCHLUETER Staff writer

Members of America's fastest growing ethnic population are celebrating the of ficial beginning of Hispanic Heritage Month today.

Across the nation, Hispanics will celebrate and recognize their history and culture.

More than 25 Hispanic organizations on the A&M campus will participate in the month's activities, including tomorrow's Hispanic Unity Rally, featuring for mer Democratic senatorial candidate

The celebration will end Oct. 15 with a show at Rudder Auditorium featuring comedian Paul Rodriguez.

The U.S. Census Bureau reports 27 million people in the United States, about 10 percent of the total population, are Hispanic. By the year 2050, that number is expect-

ed to reach almost 25 percent. Dr. Emily Santiago, assistant director of the Department of Multicultural Services, said the month's events are focused on making others

aware of the Hispanic culture. The Unity Rally is at 4 p.m. tomorrow at Rudder fountain. The rally will feature live entertainment, music and speeches by former members of the Hispanic President's Council and other organizations.



The rally will feature a performance of "Ballet Folklorica" by Celestial, an A&M group made up of child singers. Children also will appear on stage in cultural cos-

"La Fabulosa," KMBA 99.5 FM, will broadcast the event live.

Morales will speak on the importance of Hispanic culture and its significance in today's society at 5 p.m.

Erica Flores, public relations chair of the Hispanic Heritage Council and a senior community health major, said the month's events should have good turnouts.

PLEASE SEE **HERITAGE** ON PAGE 5. litical science major, volunteered to sit in the

By Courtney See

Staff writer

The Residence Hall Association (RHA) sponsored its second Welcome Bash Sunday at Simpson Drill Field to give A&M students an opportunity to meet each other outside

Eric Williams, RHA president and a senior biomedical sciences major, said Welcome Bash encourages social interaction between stu-

"It's a fun time for people to get out," he said. "It's one big social event to bring Northside and Southside residents together.'

Activities included carnival games, a dunking booth, volleyball and a raffle drawing for such prizes as gift certificates, A&M jewelry and tickets to the A&M-University of Texas football game.

Renee Flores, a senior biology major from McFadden Hall, said she enjoyed the free food and live entertainment at the event.

"The music is great," Flores said. "It brings people from all cultures together to have a

Other students also said Welcome Bash promoted a sense of unity among different groups

Brandon Neff, a junior yell leader and a po-



BRANDON BOLLOM/THE BATTALIC

Laura Bowen enjoys free pizza Sunday at the RHA Welcome Back Bash. dunking booth.

'The Welcome Bash is a lot of fun," he said. "It's good to see Aggies supporting RHA and other functions on campus.

Williams said RHA plans to continue sponsoring Welcome Bash at the beginning of each

Caton Brown, RHA leadership training director and a junior civil engineering major, said the event is a great way to start off the year.

The Welcome Bash promotes RHA and unity among students at A&M," he said. "It gets people excited about the school year."