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Forum will address race relations at A&M

By JOEY JEANETTE SCHLUETER Staff writer

A diversity forum tonight will give Texas A&M students the opportunity to voice their opinions on

how to improve Please see race relations on campus. related letter, Student Body

Page 9. President Curtis Childers will host

the forum at 8:30 p.m. in 206 MSC. The forum follows the presentation of the documentary film The Color of Fear last Thursday. The film focuses on eight men of different social and ethnic backgrounds discussing race issues in society.

Childers, a senior agricultural development major, said the forum will lutions to racial problems at A&M.

There's a racial problem on campus," he said. "We want to leave (the meeting) with a lot of ideas on what we can do about it.

Childers said more than 100 students from different A&M organizations are expected to attend

The goal of the forum is to identify problems related to race relations and how individuals and organizations can address the problem, he said.

Ideas from the forum will be presented at the University of Texas Diversity Summit Nov. 18-19 in Austin. At the summit, student governments from different universities will offer solutions to the versity in higher education.

Childers said the forum will provide A&M a foundation of ideas to build on for the future.

The forum will offer a broadbased commitment to carry ideas out and make sure those ideas happen," he said.

Martin Hodges, director of minority affairs for Student Government and a senior journalism major, planned the event.

At the forum, students will form groups to voice ideas and brainstorm solutions.

Childers said the need to address racial diversity has prompted Student Government to take action and fix the problem of racism on campus.

Graduate work presented at Chemistry Symposium

By RACHEL DAWLEY Staff writer

The 1997 Graduate Research in Chemistry Symposium gives more than 40 graduate and post-doctoral chemistry students the opportunity to present their research.

The symposium, which began vesterday and ends today in the Chemistry Building, features the research of A&M chemistry students through oral presentations and a

Dr. Tim Hughbanks, an A&M chemistry professor, said the department is trying to maintain and expand its relationships with industry.

"A number of industry leaders are alumni who come back as liaisons," he said. "The symposium allows industry to find out about the chemistry program and its meet industry leaders."

Representatives from Industry-University Chemistry Cooperative Program (IUCCP) member compa-

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STEVE MERRIGAN CHEMISTRY GRADUATE STUDENT

nies gave presentations yesterday morning on industry settings. Industry representatives meet with graduthe program, Hughbanks said.

Steve Merrigan, a chemistry graduate student who is training to be a physical organic chemist, presented his research and poster vesterday. He said the symposium showed the differences between industries and uni-

"An interesting part of the symposium is to see how life in industry is different from academia," Merrigan said. "Industrial research is moneydriven, while academic research is idea-driven.'

Merrigan said industry leaders recruit employees at the symposium.

"I listened to all the presentations," Merrigan said. "I learned how much competition there is for jobs and how important speaking and presenting your ideas and research is to getting a job."

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George Bush Library opens its doors on the Web

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By JOEY JEANETTE SCHLUETER Staff writer

The George Bush Presidential Library Museum can be found on the World ideWeb at www.csdl.tamu.edu/bushlib. The Bush Library Foundation said the he George Bush Digital Library" has en under construction since winter of 5. The Foundation has gathered infortion and photographs of artifacts and sthat will be housed in the library. The Web site contains five pages feang a biography of former President George Bush, public papers, photographs, museum collections and a biography of Barbara Bush.

Access to public papers from the Bush administration is available on the site. Papers from his two terms as vice president are available only at the Bush Li-

The museum collections page features photographs and information on donations from Bush and other heads of state

and domestic gifts. Gifts from leaders of 17 countries are featured on the site.

Photos of a gold model of the Fortress of Musmak in Saudi Arabia are on the site.



The model was a gift to Bush from the King of Saudi Arabia Fahd bin Abd All-Aziz AlSa'ud in 1993.

A porcelain lattice bowl from Queen Elizabeth II of England also is featured, as well as a solid bronze "dancing bear" given to Bush by former Prime Minister of Canada Brian Mulroney.

Bush also donated the baseball glove he used during his college career at Yale

University. Domestic gifts to Bush from friends and relatives also are featured, as well as a

life-sized sculpture of Bush's presidential

Photographs on the site include pic-

tures of Bush in office during the Gulf War and attending economic summits.

The site contains numerous shots of the former president and his family. The Foundation said the Web site will be updated frequently with news of the li-

brary and museum. The Center for the Study of Digital Libraries maintains the site in coordination with the Bush Library. The site also contains links to the Bush

School of Government and Public Service and the Bush Library staff.

The Library will be opened to the public November 7, 1997.



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EMS on the search for student volunteers

By Amanda Smith Staff writer

Cal Davis, a first-year veterinary medicine graduate student, enjoys a burrito at Freebird's Monday.

The Emergency Medical Service (EMS) is sending out a call for help to Texas A&M students certified as emergency medical technicians and students interested in joining the on-campus team.

About 40 student volunteer crew members run the division of EMS servicing the campus.

Jennifer McGuire, an emergency medical technician (EMT) and a geophysics doctorate student, said EMS needs more student technicians to help with oncampus operations.

'We have had a lot of calls this semester," she said. "We are looking for EMTs and paramedics. We definitely need more than we have right now. A lot of people are pulling a lot of extra hours. We work between classes during the day. We are in service 24 hours a

day for 365 days during the year." Students work night shifts from 5 p.m. to 7 a.m Monday through Friday. On weekends, students work from 7 a.m. to 5

p.m. or 5 p.m. to 7 a.m. Alan Flanigan, a senior paramedic and a nautical archaeology graduate student, said EMS members work 10 to 70 hours per

"We are free to students," he said. "We are the 24-hour care on this campus. Flanigan said the on-campus

EMS crew members are volunteers and receive a monthly stipend of one dollar, the University's insurance for liability purposes.

Students may receive certification as an EMT dispatcher by obtaining CPR and first-aid certification. Also, the Texas A&M Department of Kinesiology offers a course enabling students to receive certification as an EMT.

Julie Harris, an EMT medic and a junior biomedical science major, said she became an EMT because of her interest in medicine.

"I did it to decide whether or not I wanted to go to medical school," she said. "It's a good experience. It teaches you patient relations and introduces you to medicine.

Harris also received training to drive the ambulance.

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Leslie promotes ethical campaigns

By Brandye Brown Staff writer

While campaign scandals may flourish in politics, Brooke Leslie, the first woman student body president of Texas A&M, has written a chapter in a book explaining how campus campaigns can be both ethical and successful.

Brooke Leslie, Class of '95 and a University of Texas law student, was the 1994-95 A&M student body president. She said it surprised her when she was asked to write a chapter in the book So You Want to be President ... How to Get Elected on Your Campus.

Leslie, who is studying in London, said she enjoyed the opportunity and hopes her experience will benefit other students.

"I feel that ethics and integrity should play a large part in any student election," she said. "It is up to the candidate to make sure the central theme of the campaign is ethics. It can be easy for a candidate and campaign workers to lose sight of the more important concepts of integrity and character when you really want to win.'

Leslie said someone always will try to bend or break the rules.

"Elections on campus bring out

the fighter in everybody," she said. "If you are a candidate, it is your job to make sure everyone that works on your campaign carries out their job ethically.

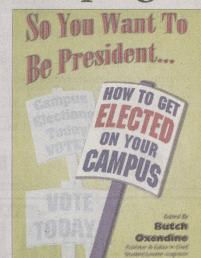
Leslie said she used experience from her involvement in previous student campaigns and innovative campaign efforts to help her win the election.

"It was the creativity and the new ideas of my staff that were the focal point of my campaign strategy," Leslie said. "I had a staff of about 100 students — that includes everyone that put shoe polish on their car windows, dorm windows, changed their answering machine messages and carried signs around campus. These were new ways to campaign at that time.

W. H. "Butch" Oxendine, Jr., editor of the book, said he saw a need for students to know it is possible to win campus elections ethically

The main reason I published this book was to show that elections can be won without being unethical," he said. "The student leaders (quoted in the book) are people students can emulate. In hindsight, I see that these ethical leaders are the future.

Oxendine said the accounts in the book of 25 student leaders, men, women and minorities



Former A&M Student Body President Brooke Leslie wrote a chapter in the book So You Want to be President.

from schools of different sizes,

should inspire students. 'These are 25 students who had issues that mattered to them and to the student body, and they cared about these issues," he said. "It isn't about popularity in their cases, but about a well thought-out cam-

paign strategy.' PLEASE SEE LESLIE ON PAGE 10.