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A&M prof recovers from hornet attack

Dr. Robert Shannon, a professor of industrial engineering at Texas A&M, returned to his classes last Wednesday after receiving more than 200 stings from yellow jackets last Saturday

Shannon said he was mowing his lawn when a swarm of yellow jackets came out of a nest.

He said Binford Insect Control Service estimated that the nest contained 3,000 to 4,000 yellow iackets. Shannon said he was still weak but has almost recovered from the attack.

He received treatment at Scott & White Clinic. Shannon said that he went into a state of shock, his blood pressure more than doubled and his blood vessels collapsed after the attack

"We sat around for 30 to 40 minutes [before calling the ambulance]," Shannon said. "Had I been allergic to the stings, I could have been dead in 20 minutes. If you are going to do anything, get help immediately."

ALERT researchers to receive award

Representatives of the Texas Transportation Institute and the U.S. Department of Transportation will receive Vice President Al Gore's National Performance Review Hammer Award Nov. 3.

The award is for their research on ALERT (Advanced Law Enforcement & Response Technology), a computerbased system used in police cars.

The Hammer Award is the vice president's program to recognize advancements by teams helping to reinvent government in support of President Bill Clinton's National Performance Review principles.

ALERT allows police officers to do routine reports without paper and enter reports into state databases.

The project is funded by the U.S. DOT and is being tested by the College Station Police Department and the Texas Department of Public Safety. The ALERT car will be on display in

Baltimore Nov. 3.

WYLIE

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"I had a great time coaching in College Station, but in 1979 I traveled to the University of Tennessee to complete my doctorate degree — it wasn't as fantastic as A&M, of course, but I did graduate in 1981," he said. "Luckily, Texas A&M had an opening as an associate professor of health education in '81, and I gladly accepted."

Wylie said he takes pride in his teaching, and he is confident that anyone who is accepted into Texas A&M has an opportunity to turn their lives around.

"When I was younger, I came from a poor background," he said. "My high-school counselor suggested that I not go to college, but I was able to go and get my degree despite of all of that. I know that anybody who comes into our school can have the same opportunity as long as we continue to do our part as faculty and administrators to make this university world class.

Nielsen-Gammon, Iohn deputy speaker of the Faculty Senate and an associate professor of meteorology, said Wylie respects all viewpoints and values everyone as people and contributors.

"Dr. Wylie brings great dedica-

tion and integrity to his job," he said. "He respects everybody on campus for what they do for the University, and he's also earned a great deal of respect in return. He's opened up great communication channels with the administration and Board of Regents.'

Nielsen-Gammon said Wylie is a good listener who generates participation in groups.

"He is thoughtful and is a great listener — you never feel left out in a discussion with Dr. Wylie and you know you are valued as a person," he said.

Thomas McKittrick, secretary/treasurer of the Faculty Senate and an associate professor in the architecture department, said Wylie is the ultimate 'people person."

"He relates to people really well and values others very strongly," he said. "Dr. Wylie is very complementary about participation and he's a great listener.'

McKittrick said Wylie seeks input on issues from as many sources as possible. "He really listens to others' opin-

ions and gets as much feedback as possible," he said. "Dr. Wylie makes his decisions after he has input from lots of sources. His decisions are not based on his ideas, and he likes for everyone to feel appreciated."



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YOU AT ANY MOMENT NOW!

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RINGS

Griffin said the Graduate Student Council has approached undergraduates about the issues and have received overwhelming support.

Graduate and undergraduate students have really come together to support a policy change," he said. "As the Graduate Student Council has moved forward on the issue, I have heard story after story of undergraduates interested in Ph.D. candidates getting their rings."

Danny Feather, Corps commander and a senior economics major, said he applauds the effort of the Graduate Student Council to change the policy.

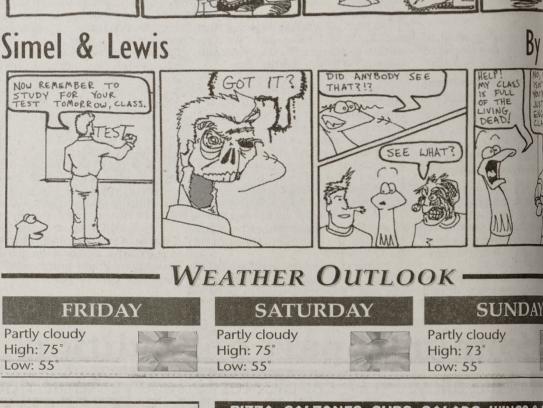
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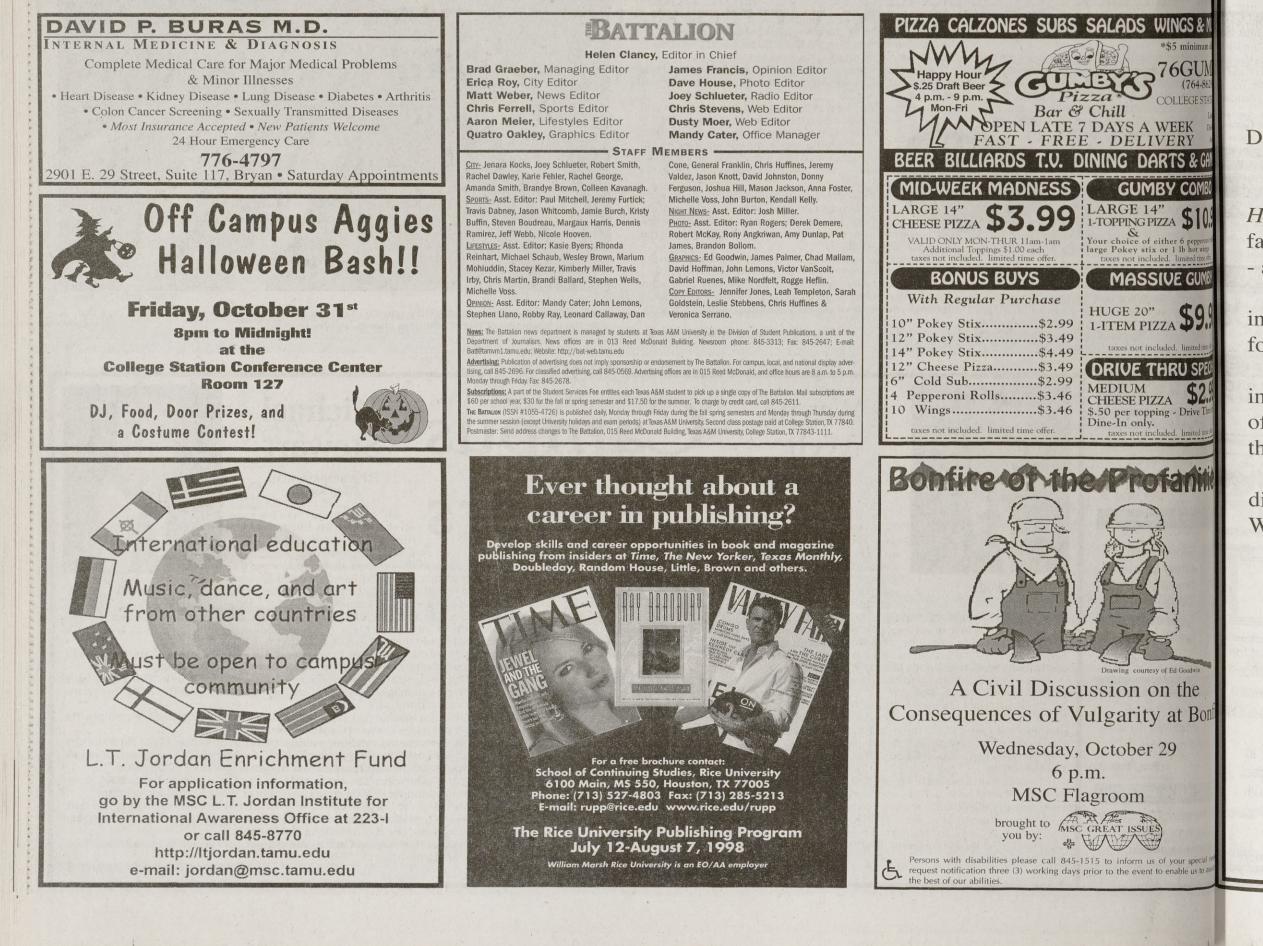
Curtis Childers, student body president and a senior agricultural development major, said Ph.D. students put in as much work as and even more than undergraduates

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when they reach Ph.D. candidacy.

"We should definitely allow them the same opportunities as undergraduate," Childers said. "It will enhance the tradition of Aggie Rings because more people will be wearing them while they are still on campus





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