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are at first startled and then settle

Josh Hennessey, a junior ac-

"There is so much culture be-

counting major, grew up in New Or-

leans and has attended Mardi Gras

hind Mardi Gras," Hennessey said.

"Mardi Gras is a time where every-

"The best thing is to watch people

from A&M come to Mardi Gras be-

cause it is such a new experience for

them," Hennessey said. "I've been so

many times, but the best time I have

had at Mardi Gras was seeing how

Aggies react to it."

edges of their typical lifestyles.'

every year since he was two.

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The annual celebration precedes the Lent season which begins next

Public schools in New Orleans get vacation days during Mardi Gras.

Tim Slaughter, a senior industrial distribution major, went to high school in New Orleans and had a week off school during the

"I have been to Mardi Gras for eight years," Slaughter said. "I have had the pleasure to escort several large groups down as the same thing happens. Young ladies who said 'I'd never' and young men who said 'I don't believe you'

PARKING

officials next week.

Ring Dance.

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"Hopefully it'll galvanize change

and convince the powers we are se-

rious," he said. "If some people can't

accept this in a professional man-

ner it could hurt relations, but this

mittee on parking issues to get stu-

dents' opinions across to PTTS. The

subcommitte will meet with PTTS

tion to prevent future conflicts with

The Athletic Department scheduled a concert at Kyle Field to be

held the same night as Ring Dance.

By Amanda Smith

Staff writer

A Texas A&M graduate student was

Obed Matus, a mathematics

indicted Wednesday by Limestone

County on one count of sexual assault.

graduate student, was arrested on

Jan. 26 by the Limestone County

Sheriff's Department and released

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Chris Chase, a senator and senior

Grad student found guilty in sexual

assault case, could face more charges

The senate also passed a resolu-

The senate formed a subcom-

is how the senate does business."

Board's proposal for a fee increase, but discourages additional fee increases.

sors from giving blanket grades for mid-term grade standings because it is not an accurate representation of academic standing.

•Overrode the student body president's veto of a bill that would randomize candidates names on

history major, said the resolution is to

ensure conflicts with time-honored

In other business, the student

election ballots.

traditions do not happen again.

into the rhythm."

•Passed a resolution that approves the Student Services Fee Allocation

·Passed a bill to prohibit profes-

•Passed a resolution that requests that A&M become a member of the National Student Exchange.

•Passed a bill to recycle The Battalion newspapers left in classrooms and trash bins.

on \$25,000 bond the next day for

charges of sexual assault of a 15-

Capt. Dennis Wilson of the Lime-

Wilson said Matus will appear be-

stone County Sheriff's Department said

Matus could face additional charges.

fore the county judge to enter a plea

of guilty or not guilty. A trial date will

year-old girl in the county.

then be set for Matus.

men have been arrested in Nevada one can have fun and push the and accused of plotting an attack, possibly on a U.S. city's subway sys-Hennessey said many of his tem, the FBI said Thursday. friends will stay at his house this weekend for the celebration.

The suspects include a central Ohio man who was given probation after pleading guilty to illegally obtaining bubonic plague bacteria through the mail.

The two were taken into custody late Wednesday in a luxury car outside a doctor's office in Henderson, Nev., a Las Vegas suburb.

Clark The County Deten-tion Center in Las Vegas said 46-year-old Larry Wayne Harris and 47-year-old William Leavitt were in custody on charges possessing weapons

mass destruction.' Last year, Har-

ris, of Lancaster, Ohio, pleaded guilty to a count of fraud after he was accused of illegally obtaining

bubonic plague bacteria through the mail from a laboratory in 1995. He said he never intended to hurt anyone and was sentenced to 18 months' probation.

FBI spokesperson Aurelio Flores would not confirm the suspects names.

These individuals were involved in the construction of a weapon," he said. "We have no idea where they were going to use it."

Flores said the FBI has secured the area where the car was found and had "made everything safe." He said the agency was not looking for explosives.

In New York, another FBI source had said earlier that the suspects

Two charged with paids in U.S. terrorism pl LAS VEGAS, Nev. (AP) — Two were members of the Arya a white supremacist gro legedly planned to releas

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Friday • February 20,1

city's subways. But Mayor Giuliani said that his city the target, and Flores said of cities may have been In Tokyo in 1995, 12

killed when a doomsda nerve gas in the subwa "These individuals

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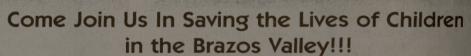
have been unfounded insta

past involving allegations of Anthrax is an infectious di usually afflicts only animal ly cattle and sheep. But Anth can be produced in a dry for for weapons and can be fatt mans even in microscopica

Bubonic plague can be is treatable with antibiotic

The luxury car was take lis Air Force Base. In statem officials said explosive disposal personnel "were assist FBI agents last nigh Green Valley-Henderson ar lis personnel impounded a on their behalf."

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