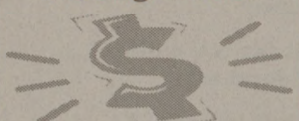


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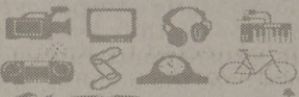
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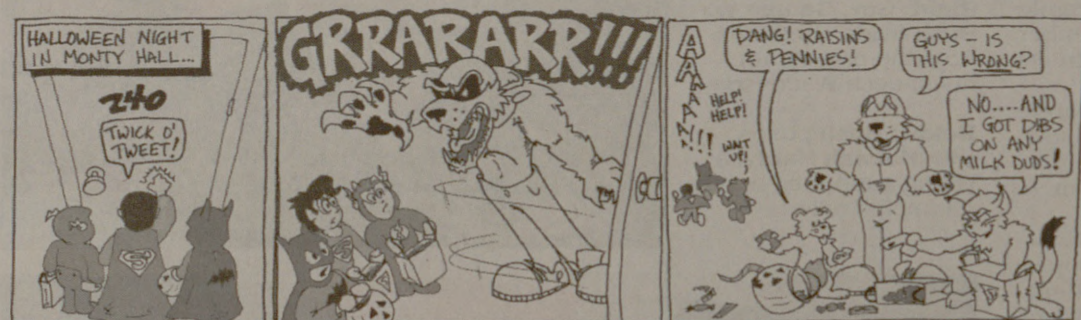
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COMPUTING

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"The total cost of the actual building was \$4.9 million and the equipment and software cost \$1.4 million," he said.

Putnam said all the money that has been invested in the computing center has come directly from the students. The money was collected by adding a \$1 per-credit-hour charge to every student's Computer Access Fee.

"The main point that needs to be acknowledged is that this computing center was initiated by students, paid for by students, and is operated by students, so a big part of the dedication is recognizing students' efforts," Putnam said.

RHA

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A discussion preceded the RHA meeting to gather input from residence advisors about the possibility of designating alcohol-free housing.

The group said the option for one floor in each type of hall would be sufficient to start the effort rather than move to a completely dry campus.

The University of Michigan started a similar program in 1989 with 500 students and the program has grown to around 2,400 substance-free students living on campus.

Ron Sasse, director of Residence Life, said the option will be extended to incoming freshmen in the fall but a definite solution has not been outlined.

"We have to study what will work at A&M," Sasse said. "Schools around the country are doing it. We can learn from them."

BY R. DELUNA Lunch forum to discuss sororities' impact

BY JOE SCHUMACHER
The Battalion

The Department of Gender Issues Education Services is sponsoring a brown bag lunch forum tomorrow at 11 a.m. in 211A YMCA Building to discuss sorority life at Texas A&M University.

Trish Draughn, a graduate assistant in GIES and a graduate student in education administration, said the brown bag forum will deal with positive and negative aspects of being in a sorority at Texas A&M.

"Sororities are a large group of the student population," Draughn said. "This is an opportunity for them to discuss who they are in

a laid back setting."

Meg Manning, adviser of the Panhellenic Council, said portrayals of sorority media and stereotypes give a false impression of what sorority members are like. She said sorority members are leaders in academics and organizations, and they contribute their ability to carry out successful projects in a sorority.

Draughn said the direction of the discussion is determined by those who attend.

"The brown bag forum tends to be a round-table discussion," Draughn said. "It's a very relaxed atmosphere that will allow sororities to discuss what their ideas are for this campus."

CAMPUS CALENDAR

Thursday, October 29

MSC Cepheid Variable: There will be a book discussion on Good Omens at 7 p.m. in 145 MSC. Call 845-1515 for details.

Texas A&M Women's Lacrosse: Practice will be from 4-6 p.m. at the Zachry Fields. No experience necessary. Call Sarah at 694-9100 for more information.

TAMU Roadrunners: Come join us for a 3-4 mile run at 6 p.m. in front of G. Rollie White. All skills invited. Call Mike at 847-5339 for more information.

Into Action (Alcoholics Anonymous): There will be a meeting at 8 p.m. at the Saint Thomas Episcopal Church, located at 906 George Bush Drive in the meeting hall behind the chapel.

Graduate Christian Fellowship of InterVarsity Christian Fellowship: There will be a meeting at 7:30 p.m. which will include worship, prayer, and Bible study on Romans, followed by social time. Contact Jennifer or Mark at 764-1552 for more details. Visit Website at <http://stat.tamu.edu/~inlow/ivcf.html> for directions.

Campus Crusade for Christ: There will be a meeting at 7 p.m. in 274 Read.

Association of Baptist Students: Reload! We will

have worship service at 7:30 p.m. in 113 Kleberg. Contact Bobby at 846-3223 for more information.

TAMU Women's Water Polo: We will have practice at the Recreation Center Pool from 8-10 p.m. Contact Athena at 694-8904 for details.

Catholic Students Association: Aggie Bible Study will be at 8:30 p.m. in Rudder Tower. Check the blue screens for room number.

Texas A&M Men's Rugby Team: Practice will be from 6-8 p.m. in the field behind the Zachry parking lot. Call Lucas at 969-0789 for more information.

Aggie Speleological Society (A.S.S.): A meeting will be at 8:30 p.m. in 146 Koldus. Call Travis at 694-4088 for details.

Pagan Student Association: We will have meditation at 7 p.m. in 501 Rudder. Contact Carrisa Brown at 696-0776 for more information.

Navigators: There will be Christian fellowship, exhortation and teaching at 8:30 p.m. in 111 Koldus or check blue screens.

Kappa Sigma Fraternity: The Kappa Sigma House, located on a feeder road off University Drive at the Airport exit, will sponsor Wicked Woods, a haunted woods philanthropy project benefiting the Church Pantry and McDonald House.

project benefiting the Church Pantry and McDonald House, tonight from 8 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Call Tervoreem at 268-1515 for more information.

Friday, October 30

TAMU Roadrunners: will be a 3-4 mile run at 6 p.m. Meet in front of Rollie White. All skills are welcome. Contact Mike at 847-5339 for details.

Community Nutrition: with games and information on healthy eating focusing on fruits and vegetables. The event will be held from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Call Katherine at 268-1515 for details.

Kappa Sigma Fraternity: Kappa Sigma House will be on a feeder road off University Drive at the Airport exit, will sponsor Wicked Woods, a haunted woods philanthropy project benefiting the Church Pantry and McDonald House. The event will be held from 8 p.m. to 2 a.m. Call Tervoreem at 268-1515 for more information.

A&M Bahai Club: Discussion about the Bahai Faith will be held at 7 p.m. in 111 Koldus. Call Brenda at 847-0674 for details.

MSC Nova: There will be a gaming from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. in the MSC. Contact Chris at 845-1515 for details.

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