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Changing role models

Legislative rider makes Bush school "separate entity" within University

BY VERONICA SERRANO
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Dr. Ronald Douglas, executive vice president and provost of Academic Affairs, said a rider attached to a bill passed by the Texas Legislature has called for the George Bush School of Government and Public Service to be removed from the College of Liberal Arts to become "a separate entity."

"In their budget the Legislature expressed a desire to have the Bush School become a separate entity when they appropriated the funds," Douglas said.

Texas A&M University President Dr. Ray M. Bowen said as a result of the legislation, the Bush School will move to an administrative level which will report to the provost of academic affairs instead of the College of Liberal Arts. Bowen said A&M's political science and economics professors will still teach courses for the Bush School.

"[The change] should not affect undergraduates," Bowen said.

The Bush School currently offers one degree, the Masters of Public Service and Administration.

Douglas said the Bush School is currently modeled after the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs at Princeton University, which is part of the College of Liberal Arts. He said the Wilson School is the only presidential school in the country organized in this manner.

With the change, the Bush School will be modeled after most of the presidential schools in the country, including the Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs at the University of Texas and the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard.

He said the organization of the Bush School had been planned by faculty in the College of Liberal Arts and largely by the economic and politi-

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Panel on youth violence outlines causes, solutions

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Following the recent events in Colorado and Georgia, a town hall meeting was held last night in Bryan to discuss how to prevent violence among youths in schools in the future.

The forum, moderated by Mike Wright, host of "Brazos Valley This Morning," discussed topics including the roles parents play in dealing with schools, children, religion in public schools, warning signs exhibited by unstable children and possible solutions for dealing with and preventing childhood violence.

Ronnie Jackson, youth services coordinator for the city of Bryan, said the recent school shootings have made people more attentive of the situation. "These incidents have served to wake us up," he said. "It is what we do now after we wake up that will make the difference."

The most discussed cause of childhood violence in the forum was parental interaction with schools and children.

One way to improve interaction was discussed by Dr. Jane Close Conoley, dean for the College of Education at Texas A&M. She said community groups



MIKE FUENTES/THE BATTALION

A panel of community leaders met Tuesday night at First Baptist Church in Bryan to discuss the prevention of childhood violence and the identification of high-risk behavior.

should offer parental workshops.

Virginia Collier, superintendent of Brenham Independent School District, said she does not agree workshops are the answer.

"You can offer all the parental workshops you want, but it has been my experience that the only parents that come to these workshops are those that don't need the help," she said.

Warning signs exhibited by children before they perform violent acts were discussed.

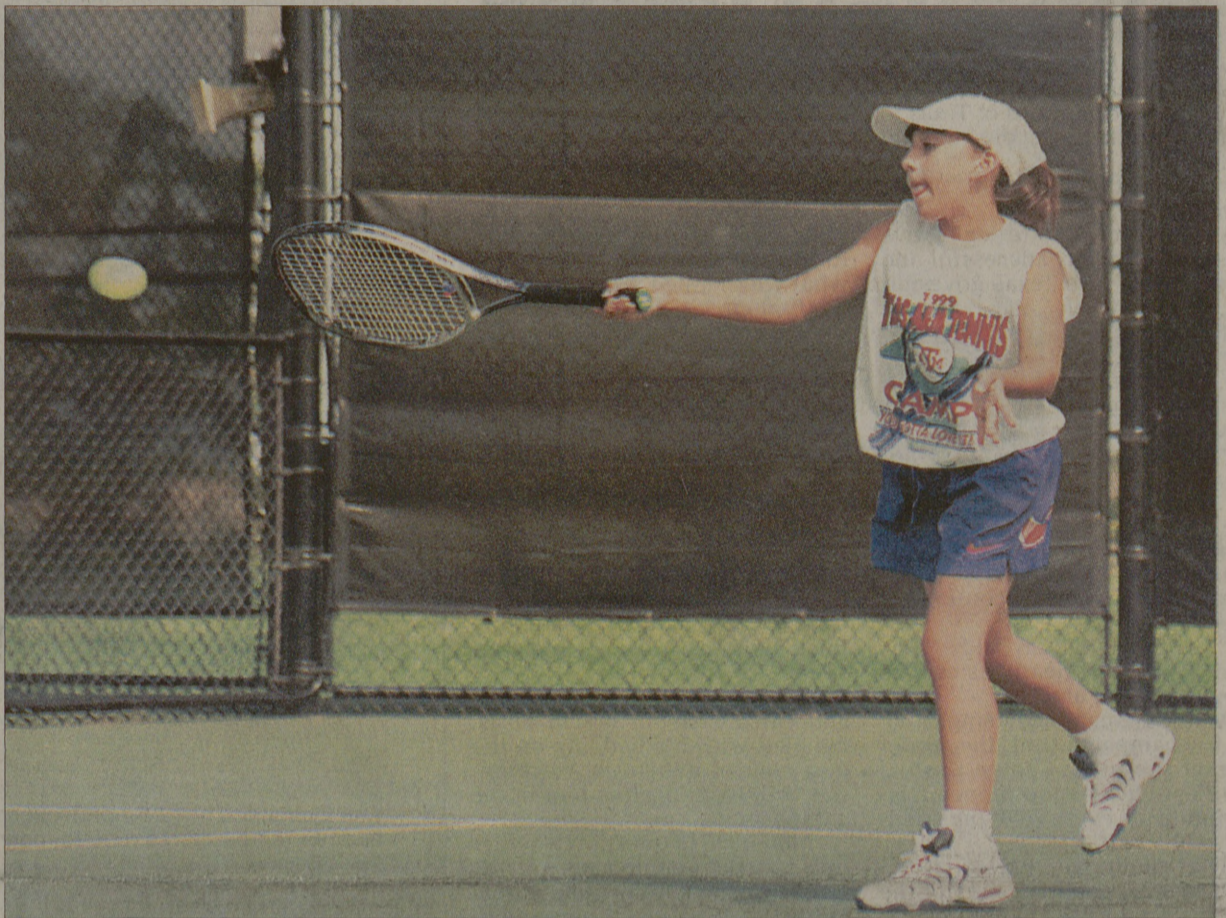
Dr. Tim Cavell, associate

professor for the Department of Psychology at Texas A&M, listed indicators for potential trouble, including a decrease in open communication, increased interest in violent movies and video games and involvement in new social groups or gangs.

Cavell said these were not always indicative of violent behavior for children without violent backgrounds.

Some members of the community said not allowing religion in public schools is partially responsible for the increase in violence.

Court concentration



EMILY ZAMPELLO/THE BATTALION
Emily Zampello, of Kingwood, returns a serve in match play during the TAMU Tennis Camp at the Varsity Tennis Center yesterday. Zampello is just one of 96 campers, ages 8 to 17, who will be participating in the six-day camp.

New Student Conferences at A&M introduce freshmen to Aggieland

BY CARRIE BENNETT
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Throughout June and July, 10 New Student Conferences will be held for the more than 6,500 freshman attending A&M in the fall.

The conference for transfer students taking summer classes was held May 27-28.

New Student Conferences are rites of passage new Texas A&M students go through whether they are incoming freshmen or transfer students.

Activities at the conferences include guided campus tours, academic advising, mixers with other students and parents and yell practice.

Gary Engelgau, executive director of admissions and records, said the number of freshman attending the conferences is significantly less than the more than 7,000 that attended the conferences last summer.

"This decrease was planned since last year's class was much larger," Engelgau said.

Lisa Rude, administrative secretary for student life orientation, said at least 550 freshman will attend each conference in order to get acquainted with A&M's traditions and campus; and register for classes for the fall.

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Administrative secretary
Student Life Orientation

"The conferences will help students discover what services are available to them," Rude said.

Rude said less than the estimated 200 students attended the transfer student conference in May.

"Usually four to five hundred transfer students attend the conferences held before the fall and spring semesters," Rude said, "and around 200 students attend the conference before summer school."

This year's transfer students were able to meet with their academic advisers on the first day of the conference instead of the second day.

Rude said the change was beneficial for both the student's respective college and the student because the students could begin thinking about the classes they needed to register for.

Resource tables representing 26 campus offices offer a wide variety of information on subjects from Fish Camp to parking and even post office boxes during the conference.

Rude said many people are not aware of how many of the programs are designed to offer information to parents.

"Many parents aren't sure whether they should attend the conferences, but they [the conferences] can be helpful," Rude said.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Reserved packages available for baseball

There are a limited number of reserved seat packages available for the NCAA Super Regional tournament June 4-6 at Olsen Field.

Packages cost \$25 each and can be purchased by calling the Athletic Ticket Office at 845-2311 or 1-888-89-AGGIE between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Individual reserved seats and general admission tickets will go on sale at Olsen Field.

A limited number of the general admission tickets will be available for single sessions and will be sold only on the day of the game on Friday, June 4, at the Olsen Field ticket booth at 8 a.m.

'Zooillogicals' art exhibit brings wildlife to area children

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The acrylic painting "Waiting" is featured as part of the "Zooillogicals" art exhibit on display at the MSC Visual Arts Gallery. The collection, presented by the MSC Visual Arts Committee, is specially tailored for young viewers.

The MSC Visual Arts Committee is catering to a younger audience this summer.

"Zooillogicals," an art exhibit by Chica Brunsyold, is on display at the Visual Arts Gallery until June 30, and the paintings are made to be seen through the eyes of a child — literally. The acrylic and water paintings are hung about one foot lower than normal for this exhibit.

Lalaine Little, adviser to the MSC Visual Arts Committee, said that now that there is more parking available on campus, the committee has the facilities available to cater to off-campus interests, such as children.

Little said Brunsyold started painting landscapes but has since added animals to her artwork.

She said Brunsyold paints with gloss acrylic medium and transparent paint on watercolor paper, painting the animals in acrylic around where the landscapes have naturally formed on the paper.

Little said the acrylic adds both texture and de-

finition to the paintings and as a result some animals are hidden in the paintings in "animalscapes." She said the animals are also painted with human-like characteristics expressing a wide range of emotions.

Little said that although Brunsyold paints distinct animals, she will not comment on their exact species. She said Brunsyold likes her "readers" to use their imagination to interpret her paintings and their contents. Brunsyold does not offer insight on what the titles of her paintings mean.

Jude Schwendenwien, a New York city critic said of Brunsyold's work, "The whimsy of depicting unlike species 'illogically' coexisting in the same space serves as a metaphor for peace in human relationships."

This is where the title of her exhibit comes from, because the way she groups certain animals together in her paintings is illogical.

The Gallery is located in 289 MSC and is open from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and Saturday from noon to 4:30 p.m.