

## Passing the plate



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Christy Yaw (right), a senior marketing major, passes plates to incoming freshmen and their parents at the Howdy Barbecue Tuesday. The barbecue was held at Duncan Dining Center where new students had the opportunity to visit resource tables to learn more about University services.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

### Professor recognized for published work

Professor of entomology John Jackman has been given the Texas Reference Source award by the Reference Round Table of the Texas Library Association for his book, *A Field Guide to Spiders and Scorpions of Texas*.

The award recognizes outstanding reference books about Texas' history, culture or commerce.

Jackman's book describes more than 125 species of spiders and other arachnids, such as ticks and scorpions.

The book also gives information on biological and taxonomic distinctions, web types and eye patterns, hunting techniques, habitats and ranges and tips on examining spiders and preserving captured specimens.

### College Station hosts veterinary meeting

The World Association of Veterinary Laboratory Diagnosticians, which meets every two to three years to discuss the latest in veterinary diagnostic techniques, met for only the second in the United States and the first time in College Station yesterday.

Two hundred and eighteen delegates from 18 different countries attended the meeting.

Dr. Konrad Eugster, president of The Texas Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory, said the meeting helps ease world trade as advanced diagnostic techniques

help assure trading partners' stock they receive are disease-

### Chemistry professor to host herbal program

Dr. Wendy Keeney-Kern, Sacandaga herbalist and applied chemistry at A&M will discuss relieve stress through the use of herbs.

This program is being sponsored by the Women in Science and Engineering Society. The program will be held in 457 Blocker

### Webmaster to intranet presentation

Webmaster for the Texas A&M University System, Laura Wright will give a presentation on intranet development to the PricewaterCoopers at the 11th Annual Online Meeting in New York City.

Other participants include Newsweek, Massachusetts Institute of Technology Libraries and COOL.

The information professionals gathered to advance understanding of intranet sites are developed.

Wright's presentation focuses on development of TTI's intranet.

TTI emphasized that development of TTI's intranet is a collaborative effort between many individuals.

presentation also emphasizes Web sites' success was largely the willingness of network and group to work together to common goal.

## NUTZ



BY R. DELUNA

## Bush visits Massachusetts

BOSTON (AP) — Republican presidential candidate George W. Bush sang "You're a Grand Old Flag" with schoolchildren Tuesday and promised to rally the "armies of compassion" to help children and make society more responsible.

On his inaugural campaign trip, Bush told the mostly Latino students at the Lawrence Community Day Charter School that the American dream should be available to legal immigrants.

"If you work hard, if you play by the rules, if you understand you're responsible for decisions you make, the American dream is for you," he said in both English and Spanish.

The Texas governor has a wide lead in the polls over a crowded field of Republican presidential candidates. He also leads in fund-raising.



BUSH

At a fund-raiser yesterday, Bush promised to make boosting volunteerism a major theme of his campaign. "I will rally the armies of compassion," he said. "I will run a positive campaign, a campaign that unites."

His noon appearance at the Park Plaza Hotel in Boston set a record for GOP fund-raising in Massachusetts.

The \$500-a-plate fund-raiser netted \$800,000 for his exploratory committee, which already has raised at least \$14 million, said local Republicans. A reception beforehand brought in an additional \$100,000 for the Republican State Committee.

"He's the first one who has struck my heartstrings in terms of having a stand I can be proud of," Warren G. Appell, chief financial officer for Air General Inc. said. "I'm tired of a president I have to make excuses for."

But many of them saw in Bush at least one quality he shares with President Clinton — an ability to

appeal to both the left and right wings of his party.

"He combines conservatism with inclusiveness and passion," former state Rep. Joe Malone, the standard-bearer of the Massachusetts GOP, said during last year's primary. "He's a deal."

Gov. Paul Cellucci, who could barely hide his excitement, campaigned with Bush. He has known for 20 years, a state representative and the state's first elected governor since 1979.

Earlier yesterday, Bush up coffee at a Derry, N.H., restaurant and mingled with customers.

Customer Bill Otto said he supports Bush even though he learned anything new about the governor except that "he's good cup of coffee."

"He's just like his father," said. "The country needs one like that."

## Bullock released from hospital

AUSTIN (AP) — Former Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock, suffering from congestive heart failure, has left an Austin hospital for home care.

Bullock was diagnosed with lung cancer 4 1/2 months ago. His recent struggles with pneumonia pointed to the coronary condition.

He had a pacemaker implanted last fall to correct an irregular heart beat after undergoing heart bypass surgery in 1994.

According to the *Austin American-Statesman*, he entered the Austin Heart Hospital on Thursday.

A recovering alcoholic and chain smoker, Bullock had one-third of his right lung removed in 1972 because of nonmalignant tumors, suffered a heart attack in 1979 and had the bypass operation shortly before winning a second term as lieutenant governor in 1994.

As presiding officer of the Texas Senate, the lieutenant governor is considered to hold Texas' most powerful elective office, appointing Senate committees and controlling the flow of legislation.

His reign was secured by an iron will and the relationships he fostered over 40 years in politics, including tenures as a state representative, secretary of state and state comptroller.

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