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Let us satisfy your famished minds occasionally through-  
out the semester with intriguing group dinner discussions  
with fellow students and professors all while enjoying free  
food. To participate attend one of the following  
informationals:

**Thursday, October 14th at 7pm in MSC 229**

or

**Tuesday, October 19th at 8:30pm in Rudder 707**

To inform us of your special needs please, call 845-8770 or stop by MSC 223-1

**Liberal  
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**LIBERAL ARTS  
CAREER NIGHT**

**Tuesday, October 19<sup>th</sup>  
226 MSC 6:30pm-8:30pm**

**MEET OUR CAREER PANEL**

Sharon Jauer Durham, '97  
Product Manager  
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Tom Wilkinson  
Executive Director  
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Sheryl Lyssy, '86  
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**BREAKOUT SESSIONS ON**

- How to find your "ideal career"
- How to research careers
- Graduate School/Teacher Certification
- Browse the resource room

**Refreshments & Door Prizes**



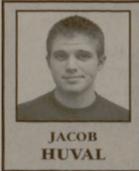
TAMU  
Career Center



**Serving Jury Doodie**

*Citizens serving on juries must know fine points of law*

It happens to almost every-  
one at least once. A phe-  
nomenal event in life that  
comes unexpectedly and  
sweeps even the most stead-  
fast off their feet. It offers the  
promise of sweet intrigue and  
mystery in an otherwise dull  
work-a-day world.



JACOB  
HUVAL

It is two words that can ex-  
ult the souls or bring terror to the minds of  
those subject to its many arrows — jury duty.

Every honest, taxpaying American who is  
registered to vote is called upon to serve jury  
duty at least once (and at least twice if one is  
only the latter two).

As the most fundamental display of power  
among Americans — second only to Rockem\*  
Sockem\* Robots — jury duty casts the common  
man as the great gold prospector of justice, sift-  
ing through the soot and mud of society to find  
the tiny, complicating gold nuggets that prevent  
the smooth, steady flow of the river.

Does one send the gold nugget away to a  
prison only to tarnish and rot away? Or does  
one seek personal profit by selling the nugget to  
the travelling media circus, bent on making  
kings of criminals and martyrs of murderers?

This is the choice and the power of the mild-  
mannered jury member — an opportunity to  
display impeccable moral judgment and com-  
mon sense.

But given the fact impeccable judgment and  
common sense are rarities, an explanation of  
the intricacies of jury duty is due.

Some believe the selection of potential jury  
members is a random, aimless process. This  
is not so.

Potential jurors are carefully considered and  
scrutinized for their fitness to serve in a court of  
law as a standard of mental capacity and civic-  
mindedness are essential in jurors.

To find individuals with such qualities, gov-  
ernment employees call each listing in area  
phonebooks, asking "Is your refrigerator run-  
ning?" If the individual picks up on the gag, he  
or she is of sound mind and judgment and is fit  
for jury duty.

Many Americans have come to dread seeing  
that small blue, pink or green slip of paper in  
their mail boxes. In an effort to make jury-duty  
notification more appealing, the government is  
considering hiring Ed McMahon to arrive in per-  
son with balloons and flowers to make the an-  
nouncement.

But for the increasing number of constituents  
not familiar with Ed McMahon, a new super-ad-  
hesive will be applied to the jury-duty notifica-  
tion form, eliminating any possibility of "losing"  
the document.

However, the escalator of jury selection does  
not travel in only one direction. Certain citizens  
enjoy exemptions from jury duty.

The elderly are exempt because courtrooms  
allow bathroom breaks only each half hour  
and because they simply will not get the  
phone prank.

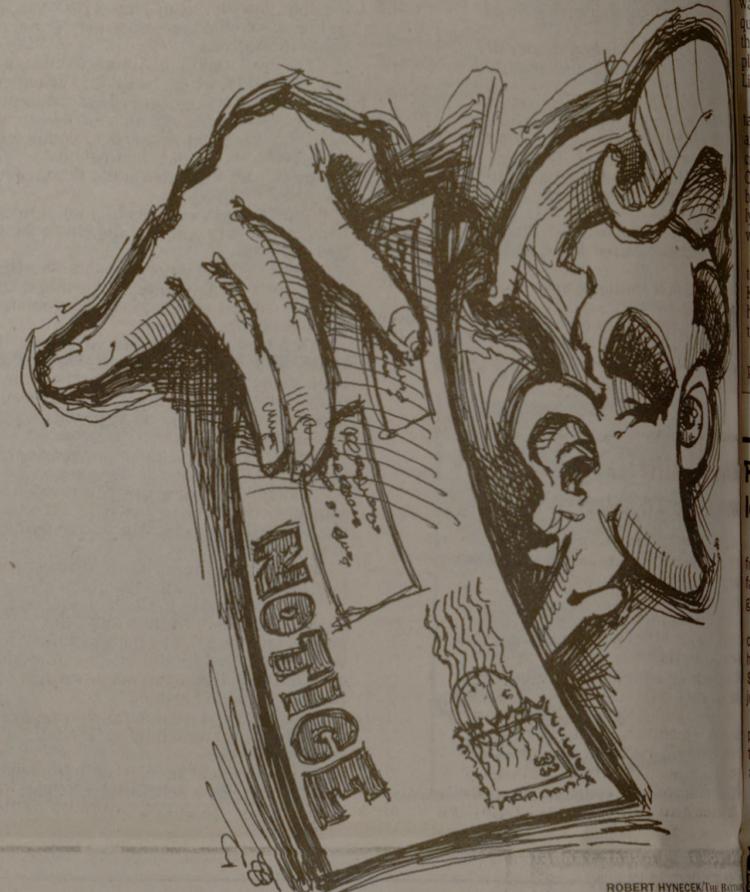
Persons with young children are exempt be-  
cause no one wants to put up with a whining,  
blabbering, slobbering bundle of hairless stink  
— that is, unless he is on trial for perjury.

Also, persons with young children are ex-  
empt because they are already too busy for  
phone pranks.

Students of higher education are exempt be-  
cause they are simply preoccupied with making  
their own phone pranks.

So if one wants to eliminate any possibility of  
serving on a jury, he or she need only be an 80-  
year-old chemistry major who breast-feeds.

But what is to become of the unfortunate  
souls who do not escape the grasping claws of  
jury duty? What manner of poking, prodding  
and protruding must they endure before they



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reach that proverbial land of milk and honey  
known as the courtroom?

Potential jurors first must fill out a modest  
questionnaire, French for "What are your preju-  
dices?" These questionnaires usually delve into  
one's personal life, leading some to feel uncom-  
fortable and doubtful of their significance to  
jury selection.

Rest assured, however, that the court system  
has justified its need to know important infor-  
mation like dress measurements, marital status  
and alcohol tolerance.

Having finished the questionnaire, potential  
jurors then undergo a grueling interview from  
the attorneys involved in the case. It is impera-  
tive one answer interviewers' questions as  
openly as possible.

For example, if one is asked if they were on  
the John Gotti trial's jury, he or she should con-  
centrate on their answer and not the red laser-  
targeting dot on their forehead or the cement  
shoes being fitted for them.

And finally, of course, before jury members  
can be allowed into the courtroom they must  
undergo a full body-cavity search (that is what  
they told me at the time).

Now comes the moment of truth, or as  
grown-up lawyers call it, "hearsay," — the trial.  
At this point a knowledge of procedural differ-  
ences between the different levels of courts is  
helpful to jurors.

In local courts, usually bakeries by day, pro-  
ceedings begin with a salute to the American  
flag, the state flag and the school mascot — a  
goat named "Jose."

Trials presented in local courts are argued be-  
tween two "law-fellers," the defendant's (Hat-

field) and the prosecutor's (McCoy). State  
courts assume more prestige than local courts  
proceeding with twice as much pomp and  
as much spittoon traffic.

If in a local court, one should mind the  
meadow muffins. If in a state court, one  
should blame genetics. The Supreme Court  
is not a concern of the juror's, since, instead  
a jury, a panel of The Elders determine  
whether a trial's outcome is innocent,  
or "moot" (Elder-speak for "the golf course  
closes soon.")

Of course, some rules of etiquette for jurors  
apply to all levels of court. For instance:

- Do not joke about how the judge looks  
"pound the gavel."
- Do not complain about the courtroom  
having a buffet.
- Do not shout "Off with his head!"
- Do not substitute reading the verdict  
reading from a steamy romance novel.
- Do not mistake "deadlock" for the title  
of a new action movie.
- Do not mistake "sequestered" for a  
swich dressing.
- Do not giggle at the term "penal code."

In a court system in which judgment is  
based on common sense, and among a com-  
mon sense of desensitization among the  
common, jurors should consider gravely his or  
her position of authority, observe his or her  
to make sound judgments and always make  
sure their refrigerator is running.

Jacob Huval is a sophomore  
English major.

**Chat & Chew**

with Dr. Malon Southerland '65  
Vice President for Student Affairs

October 20, 1999  
11:00am-1:00pm  
Zachry Lobby

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- Ask Questions
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