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HISTORIAN

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would impress the Russians, so we used it." Drea also presented a series of Japanese messages captured and decoded by American intelligence forces in 1945. The messages showed Japanese soldiers were under strict orders to fight to the death against the American invasion of the southernmost Japanese island, Kyushu. Drea said Japanese soldiers were trained in suicide tactics to prepare for the invasion of Kyushu.

"The Japanese were trained in kamikaze tactics that would inflict losses of tremendous numbers on the United States forces," he said. "They appeared to have little to lose and everything to gain, and they showed no evidence of defeatism or pessimism." Drea concluded his lecture without defending or rejecting the decision made by United States officials. He instead asked his audience what they would have done if faced with the decision whether to use the atomic bombs.

His second lecture outlined Emperor Hirohito's involvement with the war and the hierarchical structure of his military staff. He explained that the dissension which existed among Japanese officials and their endeavors and failed efforts to come out of the war victorious.

Drea gave the audience an introduction to Hirohito's personality and leadership style, saying the emperor was a "passivist, introverted and timid and generally uncomfortable around other people."

"War with the United States was inevitable," Drea said. Many people over the years have questioned Hirohito's decision to enter the war considering his passive demeanor. Drea said the pressure of the emperor's subjects, military and high-ranking officials drove him to plunge Japan into war.

Drea questioned Hirohito's prior knowledge that Pearl Harbor was going to be bombed.

"Hailed as a passivist, tried as a war criminal and dismissed as a robot, Hirohito's role in the Pacific war remained superficial," he said.

He said it was likely Hirohito was misled and deceived by his military advisers and manipulated by his general.

Appreciation day observed for student bus drivers

BY BROOKE HODGES
The Battalion



Kathleen Roney, a Texas A&M bus driver and a senior animal science major, and the more than 300 other student bus drivers will receive thanks today in celebration of Bus Driver Appreciation Day.

Gary Jackson, Bus Operations manager, said he and other Bus Operations managers will have refreshments available for drivers at the major campus bus stops.

"We will have rest stops at the MSC, the Trigon area and maybe the Northside Parking Garage," he said.

Jackson said refreshments will be handed out by volunteers from the Association of Texas Aggie Bus Drivers and the Drivers' Advocacy Team, both of which are made up of and designed to serve Aggie bus drivers.

Jackson said the organizations are responsible for the decorations seen the bus windows this weekend in support of the Texas A&M Football Team. He said the groups plan to continue decorating buses for the rest of the football season.

Roney, who has driven buses for the

past two semesters, said she has a job because of the appreciation in an enormous vehicle.

"It is one of the better jobs in town," she said. "I'm a person and I like being one of the people on the road."

Roney said she always says "Howdy" when students get on and wishes everyone a safe trip when they get off the bus.

She said most students who get on the bus are nice and polite, and she always says "Howdy."

Campus Calendar

Wednesday

Society of Women Engineers: There will be a general meeting with free food at 6:45 p.m. in ENPH 202. For more information, contact Suzy Adams at 847-0802.

International Student Association: Mini-Olympics will be held at various campus sports facilities. Check the Mini-Olympics Web page for times and locations of events at acs.tamu.edu/~t0y0469. For more information, call Takuya at 847-5188.

Texas A&M Flying Club: Will hold a board meeting at 7 p.m. at the clubhouse at Easterwood Airport.

CAMAC: There will be a general meeting and dance lessons in 230 MSC at 7 p.m.

Agnostic and Atheist Student Group: A discussion on religion will be from 7 to 8:15 p.m. in Rudder 701. For more information, contact Jason at 731-1126.

Correction

In yesterday's story, "Department head aims to limit engineering students' Q-drops," the number of Q-drops was stated as four. However, the 60-60-60 proposal has not been adopted, and according to the 1999-2000 Undergraduate Catalog, "Undergraduate students will normally be permitted three Q-drops during their undergraduate studies. Additional Q-drops will be allowed only in unusual circumstances as determined by a student's dean." The Q-drop deadline is the 50th class day.

In "Sterling C. Evans Library to build new coffee shop," the dean and director of Evans Library was incorrectly named. His name is Fred Heath.

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