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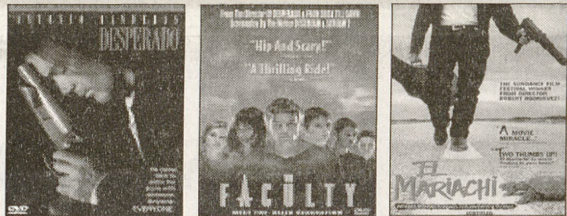
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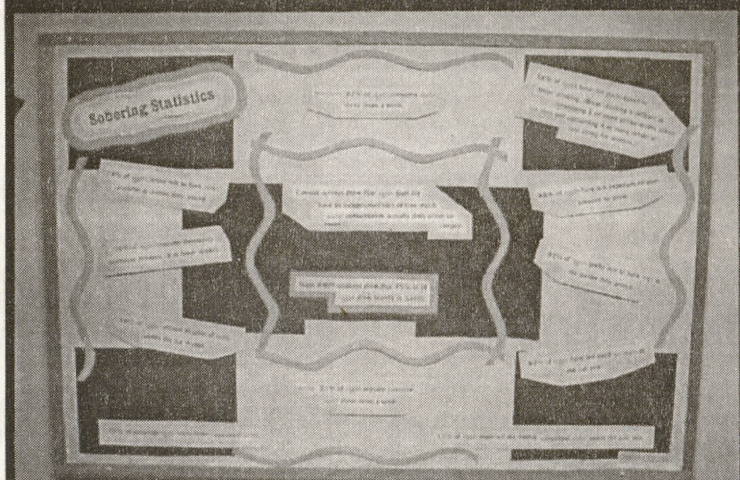


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HEY AGGS!



And the winner is.....
Stephanie Bell, RA in Legett Hall

See the winning bulletin board at 122 Legett and the "Sobering Statistics" about Aggies!

Thanks to all the RA's who participated in the contest!



Data from June, 1998 CORP survey on a random sample of 861 students

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NEWS

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THE BATTALION

Tuesday, February 8, 2000

Bush ready to 'take it to' McCain

DOVER, Del. (AP) — George W. Bush struck at the heart of John McCain's candidacy Monday, accusing his presidential rival of "saying one thing and doing another" on political reform. Bush said he, not McCain, was the "reformer with results," changing the style and substance of his campaign to counter his foe's momentum.

McCain reacted with a sarcastic dig: "I guess Governor Bush is now a reformer. If so, it's his first day on the job." And the Arizona senator's new TV ad accuses Bush of breaking his promise to run a positive campaign and ends with a zinger: "Do we really want another politician in the White House America can't trust?"

Bush is scrambling to regain his footing after McCain's rout in New Hampshire shocked the GOP establishment and raised calls for a harder-hitting, more free-wheeling national front-runner.

Bush took the weekend off to retool his campaign, emerging

with a format that borrows from McCain's successful New Hampshire run. The Texan's stump speech was cut in half and his question-and-answer sessions were two or three times longer than normal.

And he tried to co-opt the Arizona senator's reform agenda.

"I want to remind people that in this race there is one person who can stand up and say, 'I'm a reformer with results,'" Bush said.

The Texas governor stood in front of a freshly minted sign that read "Reformer with Results." He used the word "reform" a half-dozen times in a 10-minute speech, after rarely letting the term slip from his lips before

New Hampshire. Bush said as governor he fought the status quo to improve schools, pass lawsuit reform and cut taxes. By contrast, he said McCain champions campaign finance reform while using his influence in the Senate to leverage political donations.

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BUSH

EPA draws opposition

TEXARKANA, Texas (AP) — A federal proposal to require timberland permits for land near a polluted waterway drew opposition from Texas lawmakers at a hearing Monday night.

More than 3,000 people attended a meeting to discuss an Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) plan that would limit the amount of pollution generated through normal forestry practices such as site preparation, harvesting, thinning and reforestation.

Timber is the top agricultural crop in East Texas, employing about 91,000 people statewide.

"This proposal would significantly impact private forest landowners and the forest products industry in Texas, and we are prepared to work with you in any way to prevent EPA from implementing an ill-conceived and unnecessary plan," said U.S. Rep. Max Sandlin, D-Markham. Sandlin said he has written to EPA, President Clinton and Vice President Al Gore in opposition to the proposed rule.

EPA spokesman Richard Hoppers said the plan is not as stringent as it may seem. "It appears there is significant misunderstanding," Hoppers said.

To require a permit, Hoppers said, EPA would have to demonstrate that forestry operation pollutes significantly and that the state environmental authority has failed to remedy the situation.

"This would be limited to very narrow circumstances and only as a last resort," he said.

Forestry operations continue to cause pollution problems in some isolated areas of the country, and the rule would give the EPA authority to remedy a problem if all else fails, Hoppers said.

Correction

In the Feb. 7 article "Bonnie Benefit Concert raises thousands for victims," the name of singer/songwriter Kyle Hutton was misspelled.

HISTORY

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Hubert's five-year goal was to have 525 more minority students at A&M each year.

There were skeptics, who still believed there was more to do for the advancement of African-Americans, like comedian Dick Gregory, who visited A&M in 1983.

"It used to be Negro History Week, now it's Black Month. You would think they'd give us that short old month — February," Gregory said.

The 1970s and early 1980s were also a time of sports achievements for African-American students at A&M.

Mario Brown, the first African-American A&M basketball player, was averaging 14.6 points a game during his first season in 1971.

Brown, from Chicago, Ill., and a transfer from King Junior College, played for A&M and averaged 15.8 points a game in the Southwest Conference (SWC) after playing for two seasons.

At the same time, Mike Frazier from Houston, was drafted by the Los Angeles Dodgers, but played baseball for A&M instead.

Frazier, a management major, played all four years at A&M.

While Frazier ran the bases, Curtis Mills was running laps around his fellow track and field teammates.

Mills was the first African-American student on the A&M team and placed first in SWC competitions for the 440-yard relay six times between 1970 and 1971.

Mills was a member of two world-record-setting relays in 1970, and he was inducted into the Texas A&M Athletic Hall of Fame in 1979.

In 1975, A&M had the number one football defense in the nation, with 11 African-American starters and an entire backfield consisting of African-American freshmen, soon tagged the "Aggie Blackfield."

The racially diverse team "stayed a team and overlooked skin color," Jackie Williams, an A&M safety from Plano, told *The Bryan-College Station Eagle* in 1974.

"My first night here we went to Northgate and one person remarked she didn't know there were so many black people at A&M," Williams said. "I just said to myself, 'Boy, what have I gotten into now.' On the team, though, everyone is a player, whether he is black or white."

ACTIVIST

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In a press release, Bowen said that ranking A&M as the third least gay-friendly campus was undeserved.

"The lifestyles led by GLBTs is wrong and not allowed by God, but they should have equal rights," said John Hall, a freshman mathematics major.

Hall said does he not have gay friends, but said that if he met someone who was gay, he would try to talk to them about God and why their actions are "wrong."

"I would respect them as a person, but I wouldn't respect their lifestyle."

Wright said there is no exact figure for the number of gays, lesbians and bisexuals at A&M, but studies show that in any community GLBTs make up about 10 percent of the population.

Patton said there are some gay-friendly places in College Station but not enough.

Queer Aggies is hoping to make A&M a friendly place to the GLBT community.

"At A&M there is always a feeling of family, but our organization feels as if they are the forgotten in laws," Patton said.

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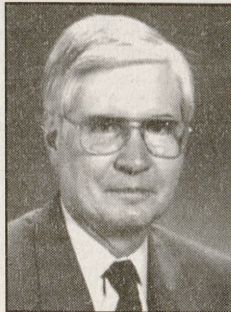
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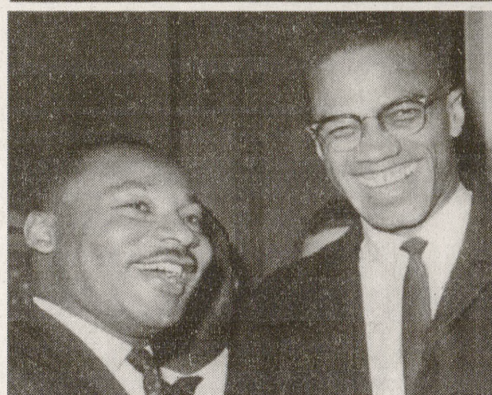
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