

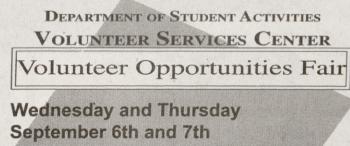
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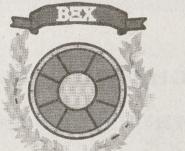
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SILVER TAPS

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beginning at 10:15, hymns can be heard coming from Albritton Bell Tower – the hymns became part of the ceremony in 1984.

"Campus is totally silent," French said. "The theme of Silver Taps is paying final tribute to members of the Aggie Family. It's kind of personal. Each person witnesses it and has time to reflect."

During the ceremony, the Ross Volunteers march to the walkway between the flagpole and the statue of Sul Ross, where they perform a 21-gun salute. Afterward, six buglers play a special arrangement of Taps, composed specifically for A&M by Col. Richard Dunn in the 1930s. Taps is played three times from the top of the Academic Building-to the north, south and west. It is not played to the east because the sun will never again rise on the Aggies being honored.

Traditions Council and the Department of Student Life host receptions for the families of Aggies honored at Silver Taps, explaining to them what to expect, and then escort them to the ceremony. Besides hosting and escorting families, French said, members of Traditions Council also "set an example on campus of how to act during Silver Taps."

She said that Taps is an incredible experience that everyone should attend.

'You could almost see the passion in ... the families' eyes when they saw the number of people who came out to honor their son or daughter. I could hear the Ross Volunteers breathing the spirit, how much they put into it, was incredible. It changed the way I viewed Taps," French said. "These students are not numbers. They are Aggies. At Taps you feel Aggie spirit. No one tells you what it is. You cannot see it, but that's where you feel it most."

The Department of Student Life also provides the families' names to the Muster Committee so that the families can be notified about Muster.

As a continuing memorial to an Aggie who has died, a book related to the Aggie's major in the Sterling C. Evans Library is dedicated in his or her name. Sharee Klug, a junior psychology

major, recently transferred to A&M and will attend her first Silver Taps ceremony on Tuesday.

"I'm excited," she said. "I've heard a lot about it. I think it's going to be a very moving experience."

ACCIDENT

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systems major, immediately told her to dial 911. All CARPOOL cars are equipped with cellular telephones.

She said emergency and rescue teams arrived approximately two minutes later.

Mauritzen said Barrow was still there when she arrived.

"He just looked frantic — like he didn't know what to do," Mauritzen said.

Mauritzen said the victims seemed to have suffered head trauma.

"I didn't see helmets, but that did not mean they were not there," she said.

Muaritzen, Blocker and their passenger --- who reportedly was not intoxicated — stayed on the scene to

Hatfield and Davis were both from Kingwood, Texas.

Due to the Labor Day holiday, CSPD could not provide any additional information. Goodman said an investigation is in progress.

SPEAKERS

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Introducing a speaker like Kerlee Sr. helps bring about that perspective. "To understand what it's like from

the family perspective could totally change people's minds," Schwery said. "We're just thinking about being Aggies and carrying on the tradition that's been here for 90 years, but there's more to it than that. If something in your institution provides so much controversy and elicits so much emotion in people, then why do it? It's

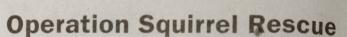
pus, then it's going to drag people down and make things worse than

he is against an off-campus bonfire. He said the point of speaking out against KTFB's proposed plan is to ensure that the Aggies stand as united as they did after the Bonfire collapse.

said. "We need to talk about what's going on and address the issues.

The people most strongly affect-ed by the University's decision are the ones Schwery hopes to target in tonight's meeting.

upperclassmen who worked their butts off last year - building stack and cutting down trees every weekend — with so much invested who never got to see it burn."



Tuesday, September 5, 2000



Agriculture majors Jessica Howe, Keith Blahuta and Jeff Duke find a baby squirrel behind the Eller Oceanography & Meteoro ogy Building. The squirrel was taken to its mother.

HEAT

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for the College Station Fire Department, said firefighters have been battling an unusually large number of grass fires this summer.

"We've experienced what the department would consider some major grass fires, including one about a month ago that burned approximately 50 acres," Humphreys said. Low humidity also increases the

risk of grass fires, Humphreys said. "When the relative humidity is be-

low 25 percent, as it is now, it's easy for something small like a cigarrette butt to start a grass fire," he said.

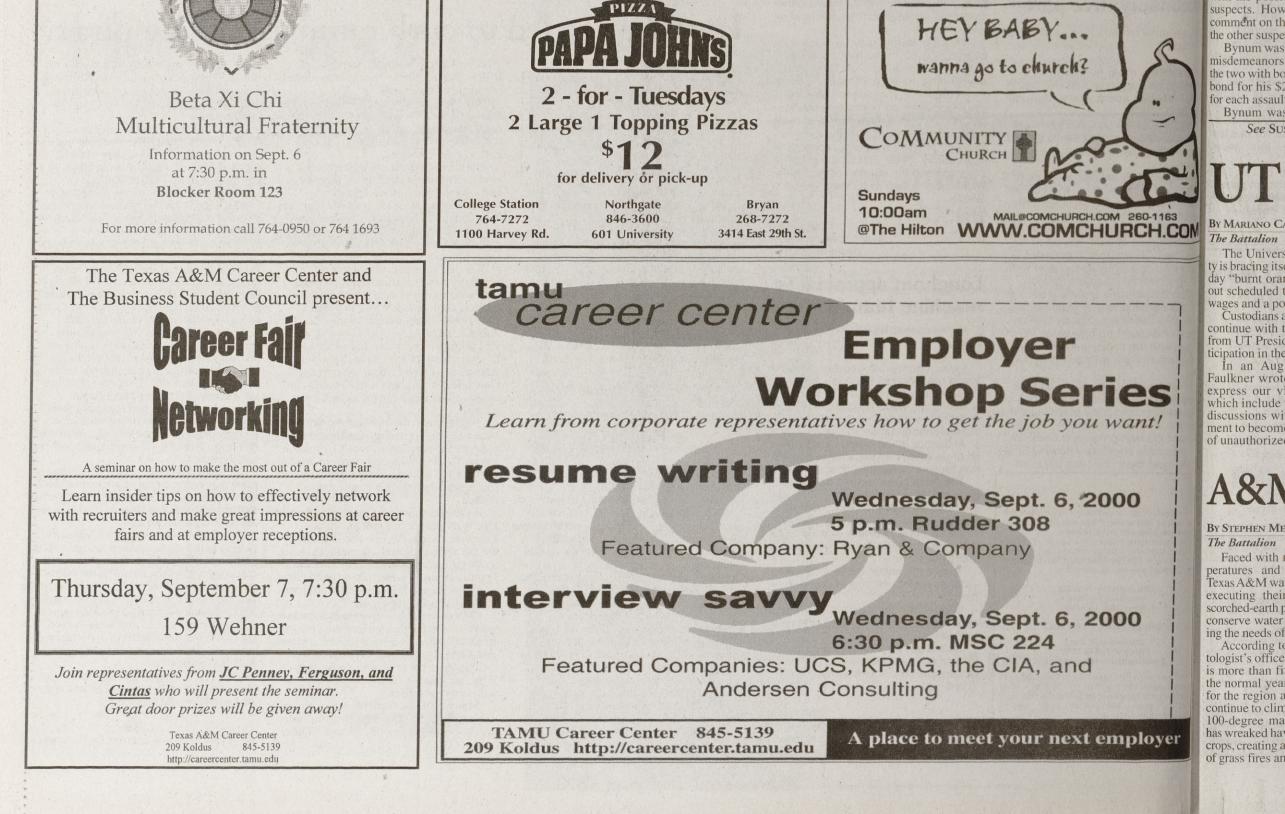
The climate also has lake reservoir officials concerned.

Martin Gustafson, the An Corps of Engineer reservoir ma ager for Lake Somerville, said lake is currently five feet belown mal levels.

Most boat ramps are still us able, but we would caution boate of sandbars and low areas. It's li a new lake when the water lest Bryan-College drops," Gustafson said.

The National Weather Service not know each advises people stay indoors during met outside in the afternoon hours.

If it is necessary to go outsid seek shade and drink plenty water.



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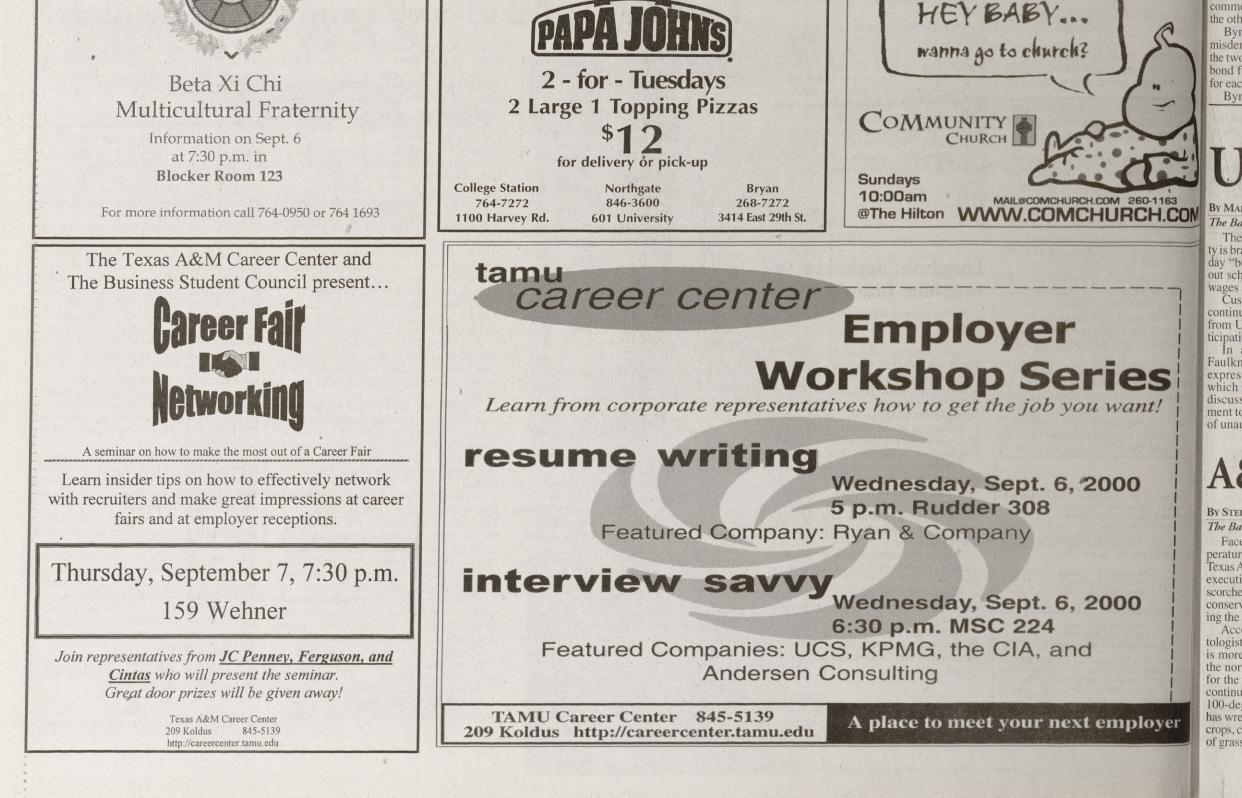
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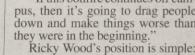
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"It's important to talk to fresh-men," she said. "But more so, for the

that way with the Aggie family. "If this bonfire continues off cam-



"The freshmen will be in charge of making sure that the Bonfire in 2002 is a good and safe one," Wood