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THE BATTALION

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FALL CLASSIC

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Herrman said more than 1,500 community volunteers and students from various on-campus organizations will lend their time and talent to setting up and closing down the Fall Classic.

Student organizations at A&M volunteering at the Fall Classic include MSC Hospitality, MSC Fish and Alpha Phi Omega.

"Even the surrounding high schools are helping," Brown said. "We need all the help we can get because the Fall Classic is nearly 10 times bigger than any other Special Olympic Games we've held in College Station."

The coordinators for the Fall Classic said it is not too late to sign up as a volunteer for this weekend's events. Those interested in volunteering can send an email to sotxfallvolun-

teers@yahoo.com with contact information or can show up at the the Fall Classic volunteer headquarters at the Student Recreation Center on the A&M campus on the day they would like to volunteer.

All of the events that occur during the Fall Classic are open to the public, but according to Fink, Brown and Hixon, the best part of the weekend is the victory dance and closing ceremonies.

"The victory dance is a chance for people to mingle with the athletes," Fink said. "It's a wonderful social opportunity both the athletes and community volunteers."

The victory dance closing ceremonies will take place Saturday evening 7:30 p.m. at Reed Arena. There is no entry fee, and it is open to the public.

BIG 12

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Nebraska quarterback Eric Crouch is fifth in the conference career-rushing list and is tops among league quarterbacks. Crouch averages 5.18 yards per carry, while Williams gets 4.57.

Williams and Crouch will go head-to-head this weekend when Tech visits Nebraska. Kansas State running back Josh Scobey

and Iowa State running back Ennis Haywood also achieved personal milestones this season.

Scobey broke the 1,000-yard mark just 16 games into his career against Oklahoma on Sept. 9, while Haywood broke the 2,000-yard barrier earlier this season, thanks to a 219-yard rushing performance against Ohio.

Three on TV

Big 12 fans will get plenty of chances to watch conference football this weekend, as

half of the league's teams will see television time.

ABC and Fox Sports, both holding contracts with the Big 12, evoked a six-day advance with the conference for this weekend. ABC Sports announced it will televise Colorado at Texas at 2:30 p.m. (CDT), while Texas A&M at K-State game will be telecast on regional over-the-air outlets at 11:30 p.m. Fox Sports Net will televise the Tech at Nebraska game on a national basis at 6 p.m.

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We Love Our New Members!

AGGIES

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downs despite the Aggie loss. Taylor leads the Aggies with 27 catches on the season, totaling 403 yards. Murphy is second on the team with 312 yards on 18 catches.

Both had no collegiate experience coming into the season but are seeing more playing time because of injuries to two key receivers, Bethel Johnson and Greg Porter.

Murphy's 146 yards and 10 catches against Colorado set an Aggie freshman receiver record.

The tandem also became only the second pair to tally 100-yard receiving performances in the same game. It was the first time that an Aggie receiver has gone over the century mark in receiving yards this season. The last to do it was Robert Ferguson, who had 105 yards on 8 catches against Oklahoma in 2000.

REED

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played in last summer's U.S. Amateur.

He has played in two tournaments this year, and in the Tucker Invitational, Reed finished in a tie for 46th. The finish left him feeling, as he said, "pretty disappointed."

"I'm my biggest critic," Reed says. "I think that being that makes me work harder, makes me always want to be at my best."

Reed's high expectations are not confined to his post-college golf career. His goal for this year is to be an All-American. There is at least one other person who feels he is capable of achieving that goal.

"I think he's got every ability and every desire to do it," said junior golfer and teammate

Dwayne Morley. "If there's one person on this team who really works hard enough and has the ability to make it happen, it's this kid."

If it seems that Reed's life centers around golf, that's because it does. Reed says that is the only way he would have it.

"Golf is what I really want to do. My life is totally focused on golf right now," Reed said. "I'm focusing on golf as a career. It sounds bad, because I know I'm supposed to be a student-athlete. But I kind of think of myself as an athlete-student."

Reed and the Aggies have a new head coach this year in J.T. Higgins. But it has not taken Higgins long to be impressed by Reed, both as a golfer and as a person.

"Stephen Reed is a coach's dream. He works as hard as he can possibly work," Higgins

said. "He always tries to do the right thing, and he's very talented. He has the makings of a great collegiate player, and possibly a professional player. I'm very excited to have the chance to coach Stephen."

Reed, a general studies major, understands that nothing in the future is guaranteed. His plan of playing professional golf falls through, he says he will pursue a career in broadcasting, maybe even doing golf. But he tries to put thoughts like that out of his mind as he chases his ultimate dream of one day playing on the PGA tour.

"You know, I've hit balls with Tiger, and I've talked to [my father] Earl," Reed said. "I've seen what's there, and it entices me. Big-time. I don't want it too much, too fast. It's in my blood. It's what my life is all about."

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