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When: Thursday, April 18, 6pm
Where: Koldus Room 144 "The Governance Room"

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Texas Aggie Artist, Benjamin Knox '90, personalizing the "Historic Aggie Ring"

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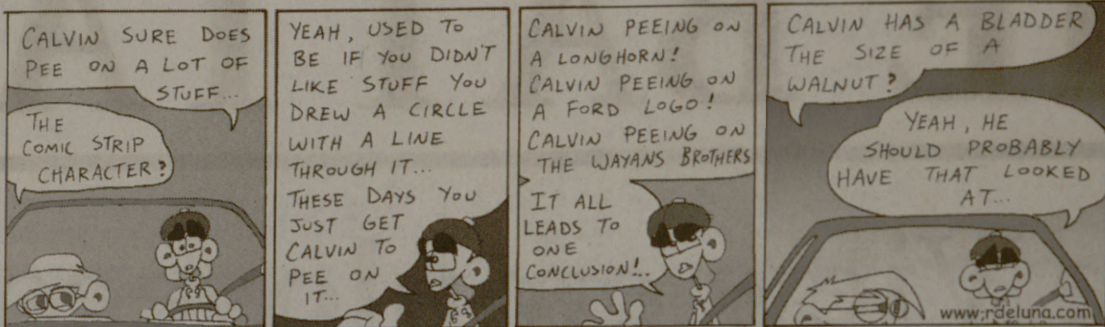
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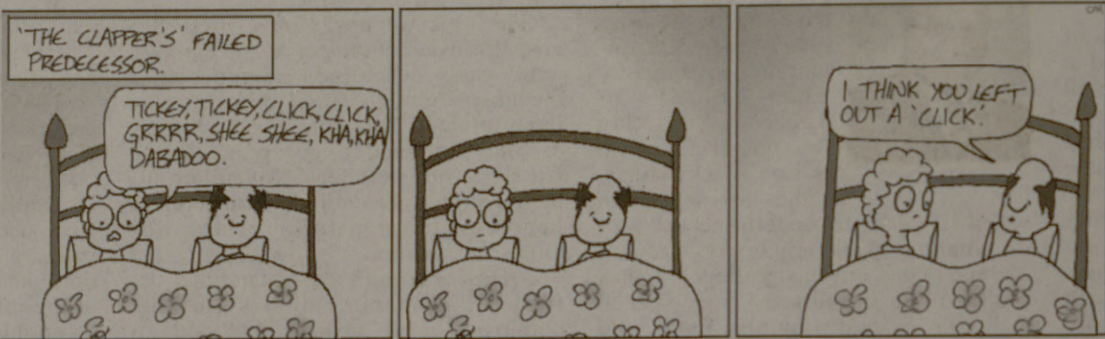
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by J. Goldflute



CAMPUS CALENDAR

Fri. April 19

The Texas A&M Bahai Club will have a conference about The Unity of World Religions-A Bahai Perspective at 7:30 p.m. in Koldus 110. For more information contact Amelia Villagomez at 847-1697.

Delta Xi Nu Multicultural Sorority will have its 5th Annual Unity Dinner with guest speaker Kevin Powell of MTV "Real World: New York" in the Rec Center Archery Room. For more information call Shailla Haque at 694-7639.

Mon. April 22

The Texas A&M Bahai Club will have a Meditation Room in All Faiths Chapel at 8 p.m. The evening will be about Devotions. For more information contact Amelia Villagomez at 847-1697.

Thurs. April 25

The Program on Conflict and Dispute Resolution and the George Bush School of Government is hosting a lecture: "Afghanistan - A Study in Neglect" by Hank Brown, former U.S. Senator and Chair of Middle East Subcommittee on Foreign Relations. It will be held in the Presidential Conference Center at 7 p.m. Call Rebecca Royer at 862-1079 for more information.

Mon. April 29

Project Sunshine will be having an executive meeting at 8:30 p.m. in Koldus.

Wed. May 1

Project Sunshine will have a closing meeting at 8:30 p.m. in MSC 226.

Drilling

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Earth," Fox said. "These insights will help us be better stewards to our planet."

A&M subcontracts the drilling ship from the owners, Overseas Drilling Limited, Fox said. The ship, named Joint Oceanographic In Deep Earth Sampling (JOIDES) Resolution, is 471 feet long and 70 feet wide, Fox said.

"The ship is outfitted to design key physical, chemical and paleontologic properties by drilling," Fox said.

Twenty-five people on board from A&M make up the technological staff. The crew also consists of 25 scientists, drawn from a pool of applicants, and 61 maritime and rig floor crew.

JOIDES spends 55 days at sea in water depths of 19,680

feet, penetrating depths of up to 6,294 feet. JOIDES has traveled globally, covering 22,936 miles since the project began in 1984. The ship's crew has dug 658,000 feet of sediment in 18 years.

Along with being responsible for supplying the ship, A&M shares science and engineering support with the project and then publishes the cruise results.

The ship is currently off the coast of Chile drilling sediment starting back in the Cretaceous Era, 65 million years ago. Many things have been found in the sediment, such as methane bubbles, which could be the driving force behind the oceanic climate change, Fox said.

Shocked quartz was found, along with high levels of iridium, which are not found on Earth, providing information

that something extraterrestrial crashed into Earth.

Scientists have also found pollen from plants and silicate materials shed from the continents in the sediment. They predicted the climates that these materials were generated in, therefore determining the climate at all levels of the sediment, Fox said.

Fox said ocean drilling needs more than JOIDES can provide. A successor program will begin in Fall 2003, the Integrated Ocean Drilling Program, which plans to decipher the ocean records with the help of specialized platforms and a ship that will dig deeper, Fox said.

Fox said he looks forward to the competition A&M will be involved in to earn the 2003 Ocean Drilling Project.

"Our intent at Texas A&M is not only to compete to be involved but to be successful," he said.

since 1981. He graduated Texas A&M and was a member of the band and the Cadets. He began working with the band as a graduate student and has spent his entire career with them. Brewer received his master's in music from Vandercook School of Music in Chicago.

Rhea has been an assistant director since 1993. He worked with the University of Texas at Austin as an undergraduate and with the Texas Tech University as a graduate student. Rhea has been a high school band director and has a doctorate in music.

"We have three very good candidates," Kibler said. Another has band work experience in private settings. The third candidate has a very extensive background in the Army. Any one of the three could step into the shoes of the previous director. Now, we have to decide on the best fit of all."

Applicants were asked to submit CDs, videos or portfolios of events they had conducted. They also were required to submit a master's degree in music.

In addition to overseeing the Aggie Band, the new director will be the head of the University Symphonic Band, University Jazz Ensemble, Aggieband Orchestra, University Concert Band and University Campus Band, Kibler said. The director will also be the head of the newly created music program.

NEWS IN BRIEF

FBI agent retires after criticism

DALLAS (AP) — Dan Defenbaugh, the special agent in charge of the Dallas FBI office who was heavily criticized for reporting last month for withholding information in the Timothy McVeigh trial, announced his retirement Wednesday.

The 32-year FBI veteran said he would step down at the end of April.

"It's been a long time," he said, declining to comment further.

Defenbaugh, 51, was named head of the Dallas FBI office in 1998, after leading the Oklahoma City bombing investigation.

In an email Tuesday night to colleagues, Defenbaugh wrote: "I have been so fortunate to have a dream beyond my dreams. I plan on staying in the area and begin my search for a new and challenging career."

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