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Bush Library rates top among Ear tourist attractions in East Texafoc

By Tanya Nading THE BATTALION

The George Bush Presidential Library Complex was rated the top tourist attraction in East Texas for the second straight

year by a tourism association.

The library beat 29 other Texas landmarks in the 2002 Waltz Across Texas Familiarization Tour sponsored by the East Texas Tourism Association.

Tour operators from 11 states took a seven-day tour through East Texas, visiting Houston, Katy Mills, Old Town Springs, Galveston Island, NASA space center and other locations.

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vote.tamu.edu, Casares said.

Howard Rosser, executive director of

to formally vote on the different ideas next

Tuesday and Wednesday online at

toward getting things planned," Casares said.

Bonfire, which consists of a trash pile design

and is constructed by using wooden pallets to

avoid any problems with environmental reg-

ulations for burning trash. In addition to the

pallets, 6-inch pieces of wood could be put

cussed with a large block T dug 4 feet

deep by 5 feet wide into the grounds of

the Polo Fields. This T-shaped hole could

be filled with 6-inch logs that could be

decorated. Two 6-inch pieces of wood put

together would make a foot, symbolizing

a game or skills challenge competition,

which would be a rivalry between groups

Other ideas not Bonfire related include

A Block T Bonfire is also being dis-

"Once we get feedback, we can move

Alternative ideas include an Old Army

the association and head of the tour, said Blake, director of public relation several operators were given critic sheets to judge each attraction, and several operators gave the Bush museum the highest possible rating

The judges lavished praise on the museum, noting the warm welcome they received from museum volunteers, Rosser said.

Many of the tour planners will go back to their homes and organize their own tours, putting places like the Bush Library on their itineraries, Rosser said.

"I do believe that the warmth of our volunteers has a lot to do with why we've done so well in the placing," said Brian

lumberjack competition, with activi-

ties such as tug-of-war and log

rolling and a concert similar to the

Bonfire Benefit Concert held two

sidered are a fall formal, a University camp out on the Polo

Fields, a Bonfire Memorial Service

dents shows that no matter how

hard the council tries, nothing will

fun," said Cliff Fisher, a sophomore

biology major. "The others seem like

repetition of activities we already

have. Regardless, nothing is going to

vote.tamu.edu or at voting locations

across campus, including the

Memorial Student Center and Sbisa

Students can vote online at

replace Bonfire in their hearts.

replace the tradition of Bonfire.

Beginning feedback from stu-

"The games and the concert sound

and a community activity.

Additional activities being con-

years ago.

Dining Hall.

Bush museum. "We also cha exhibits from time to time, which for visitors to see something news the same thing over and over ago

During 2001, the museum has percent increase in visitors, approximately 156,000. The Nelson turned hopes to increase that number level campaign 200,000 this year, Blake said.

"We are very honored that we hecame known selected as the top in the best am issues Nelson category," Blake said. "It affir and the years by feeling that we're doing good we Day remain to that people are responding mental groups

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and residence halls held on the Polo PROPOSED FALL ACTIVITY

Old Army Bonfire:

Trash pile design · Block T Bonfire:

Decorate each log · All-University Fall formal

· Revised All-U league:

University-wide program · Bonfire Benefit concert:

Night of Bonfire · Concert Series:

Different music genres

· Games/Skills challenge: Mainly between groups

and residence halls . University camp out on Polo Field

Bonfire memorial service

· Community service activity

Source: Fall Activities Council

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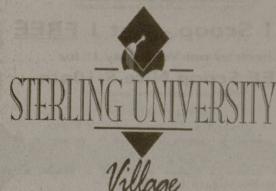
to have him fired for criticizing Hines' leadership. The System settled with Judd in March. Judd blamed Hines for losing a prestigious \$673,000 federal research

grant. Hines accused Judd of misusing research funds in August 2001 and cancelled the research program. An audit committee cleared Judd of any wrongdoing.

Judd and 17 other Prairie View professors signed a letter in November urging the Board of Regents to take "serious action"

against Hines for inappropriately intro in academic programs. Also, the dead the juvenile justice school at the University recently filed a grievance with the B accusing Hines of interfering in the of the school, including wanting to which doctoral candidates are a

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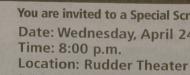
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