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by R. DeLuna

AWW MAN, THIS ALWAYS HAPPENS TO ME DURING FINALS TIME!!

WHAT?

WHEN I GET STRESSED I START TO SPONTANEOUSLY BREAK OUT! IT'S HORRIBLE!

IT'S NOT THAT BAD

YOU WANT SOME OF MY MAKE-UP TO COVER THAT?

FLOWER, PLEASE! I LOST MY DASHING GOOD LOOKS, NOT MY DIGNITY!

MISS, YOUR BOYFRIEND IS CREEPING THE REST OF THE STUDENTS OUT

I ACTUALLY PREFER THIS TO THE SKI MASK HE WANTED TO WEAR

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Beernuts by Rob Appling

WELL DEWARD, THERE'S ONLY TWO BEERNUTS LEFT, SO I GUESS IT'S TIME WE TOLD EVERYBODY OUR SECRETS.

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TIRE D OF HAVING TO WORK TO BUY ALCOHOL? JUST DRAB A PENCIL AND DRAW STUPID COMIC ABOUT A GUY AND HIS DOG AND HOW MUCH THEY LOVE TO DRINK BEER! THE BATT WILL ACTUALLY PAY YOU TO DO THEIR CONTACT MR. DELUNA (BEE FISH ABOVE) FOR MORE INFO!

HEY! I KNOW! LET'S DO ONE ABOUT THE TIME I PEED ALL OVER MYSELF IN THE BACKSEAT OF THE CARPOOL CARR

WELL THAT'S PRETTY MUCH EVERYTHING I LEARNED DURING MY TIME IN AGGIELAND. OH! AND NEVER EVER TELL ANYONE YOU DON'T LIKE PAT GREEN.

WHAT?? SINCE WHEN YOU EVIL COMBEE??

GIFT CARD

NEWS IN BRIEF

Graduation speakers set

Four high profile Texas officials, including Lt. Gov. elect David Dewhurst and Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander, will speak at Texas A&M's four commencement ceremonies Dec. 20-21 at Reed Arena.

Also scheduled to speak are State Senators Royce West of Dallas and Steve Ogden of Bryan.

Approximately 3500 students are scheduled to graduate this December, with 3200 expected to attend the ceremonies, Registrar Donald Carter said.

About 800-900 students will attend each of the four ceremonies.

On Friday, Dec. 20 at 9 a.m., West will address graduate and undergraduate degree candidates in liberal arts and veterinary medicine. West will also speak to graduate degree candidates in medicine.

Rylander will speak to graduate and undergraduate degree candidates in engineering and science Friday at 2 p.m. Rylander will also address graduate degree candidates from the Bush School of Government and Public Service.

On Saturday, Dec. 21 at 9 a.m., Dewhurst will speak to graduate and undergraduate degree candidates in agriculture and life sciences, architecture and geosciences.

At 2 p.m. Saturday, Ogden will address grad-

uate and undergraduate degree candidates in business and education.

Ogden received his M.B.A. from A&M in 1980. He has been a representative of the Bush College Station area since 1990, said Brittton, spokesman for Ogden. This is Ogden's first speech at A&M.

Commissioning ceremonies for Coast Cadets entering the U.S. Armed Forces will be held during Saturday's early commencement ceremony.

Graduating students leaving premises has been a problem in past ceremonies. The extensive length of the ceremonies has been cited as a reason for the early exits, Carter said.

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Dr. Frank Ashley III, director of admissions, plans to resurrect the 10 percent plan as inaccurate.

"About 3.2 percent of ten (percent) are Hispanics. About 11 percent are Hispanics," Ashley said.

On Dec. 2, the U.S. Supreme Court granted petitions for two consolidated cases in which plaintiffs alleged they were discriminated against when admitted to the University of Michigan Law School. The lesser qualified, minority applicants were admitted.

This will be the first time a court has addressed affirmative action in 1978.

Ashley said the 10 percent decision only applies to Texas and so other states and private universities are able to limit the number of minority students admitted with guaranteed admission scholarships. The ruling either allow Texas to continue or no longer allow other states to engage in these practices.

The USCCR survey suggests that a survey conducted by minority high school students suggests that universities need to increase recruitment efforts and financial aid opportunities to recruit more minority students.

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