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Cheney

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After being re-elected to Congress for five consecutive years, as well as holding the Republican House minority whip position, Cheney received a nomination from former President Bush for secretary of defense, which he held for four years.

In 1991, Cheney was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom and 2000 brought him the vice presidential nomination from President Bush.

The Twanna M. Powell Lecture Series takes place in the

spring and is founded by an endowment from the Donald and Twanna Powell family.

It is designed to bring distinguished leaders and recognized experts on major public policy issues typically about or related to the state of Texas or A&M.

Cheney's speech is part of the Powell series objective, to share views of interest with the University community and the public, Popadiuk said.

Following Cheney's speech, he will have lunch with former President Bush and his wife, Barbara, at their George Bush Library apartment with about 24 others before flying out to an unknown location, Popadiuk

said.

University Police Department Director Bob Wiatt said UPD will work with Cheney and his Secret Service to run a full-blown security squad for the visit.

"We do defer to Secret Service," Wiatt said. "Since we have worked with (the Secret Service) so many times in the past, we know what to expect."

Wiatt said if Cheney comes in by motorcade, UPD escorts will bring him into the area.

Tickets will be available at The Eagle, WTAW, a local radio station, and the MSC Box Office with a student ID on Monday, Jan. 20.

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Office.

"It's an A&M problem, not a professor or student problem," Townsend said. He said possible solutions for the shortage of spots for students in certain classes are simple, but would be hard to accomplish.

A&M could hire more professors, limit admittance of incoming students, and hire more

lecturers that do not have tenure within their departments, Townsend said.

A&M President Dr. Robert M. Gates announced on Tuesday two awards that have been created for teaching excellence, which are designed as an incentive for lecturers without tenure in their departments.

"It's gonna be interesting to see if we can turn this ship around," Townsend said. "We're like a big ocean liner; it's gonna take a long time to turn us around."

Leaders

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as one of the top five business motivators in America, was featured in the December 2002 publication of Ebony magazine and will be the speaker for the closing keynote address on Saturday, Kelly said.

Live performances by HBO's Def Poetry Jam and hip hop artist Amerie will be held

throughout the event.

Registration will be open until Friday morning for students still wishing to participate in the conference. The cost is \$35 each for a group of five students, or \$50 for students registering alone.

SBSLC is still accepting applications for hosts and hostesses for the conference.

For more information on the SBSLC, go to <http://sbslc.tamu.edu>.

Bush

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party's appeal to minorities. Fleischer outlined Bush's philosophy moments after announcing the president's plans to commemorate Dr. Martin Luther King's Jr.'s birthday and increase aid to Africa.

The university's undergraduate program awards extra points to minority candidates, while

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the national Homeland Security Project. Carlton said Gov. Ted Rigg is a nominee for the secretary position, but said he has yet to be confirmed by the Senate.

"The proposal is to fulfill Congressional language outlined what a university should have to be the best partner for the U.S. government, we address the myriad of issues concerning homeland security," Carlton said.

Carlton said ICHS plans to compete with other universities to be the National Center for Homeland Security.

"We plan to compete hard for that designation," Carlton said. "We would love to be designated as the national center, but that still in the competition level has not been decided."

Carlton said he is confident the ICHS's ability to aid the government with the war on terrorism.

The ICHS acts as an umbrella organization for safety aspects of food and agriculture, transportation, information archiving security, management of biohazard health issues and other areas such as training of six first-responder and medical personnel.

ICHS is part of the federal Homeland Security Act, which supports a University-centered research effort to protect the nation from terrorist attacks. A&M directs the effort, working with a consortium of Texas university systems including the University of Houston, Texas Tech, the University of North Texas and the University of Texas.

Carlton said the ICHS's purpose is straightforward and clear.

"The goals are very simple," he said. "To make Texas A&M the leader in the nation and the world in all aspects of homeland security."

President Bush signed the Homeland Security Act into law in November 2002. This law is the largest national security effort in the country, sponsoring projects that aid the U.S. war on terror

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