

**Cloning**

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"Some of the clones messed up genetically," he said. Copycat, the cat clone created by a team of A&M scientists in December 2001, did not have the same fur color as its genetic mother because of inactive X chromosomes. Copycat lacks her mother's orange spots because the X chromosome responsible for the spots did not become active again when they should during the normal biological process, Evers said.

The biological process skipping a step, he said. Researchers have also had this problem when cloning mice and cows, Evers said. During the project that produced Copycat, researchers went through 87 embryos, but only one lived, he said.

He said the difficulty could be attributed to inactive genes. The cloned animal embryos that do not make it to birth are suffering from non-functional genes, a problem that can also cause human embryos to naturally abort during the first few weeks of pregnancy, Evers said.

"We should be able to apply some of our research findings to human medical advancement," Evers said.

Researchers have started a new cloning project involving white-tail deer, Westhusin said. A&M is using the deer to study disease-resistant lifestyles, he said.

The research department working on cloning animals does not have much funding left, Westhusin said.

He said he has submitted grant proposals that should bring in funding for Fall 2003.

**Project**

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Jessica Andrews, a junior biology major, also attended the Unity Project Bonfire. She thinks former students and current students should help with donations.

"For many students at A&M, that was their first real experience seeing the great tradition of bonfire," Andrews said. "The class of 2007 and beyond should have the opportunity to experience it, too. But that won't happen if these students don't pay their debt so they can focus on this coming year."

Jill Gross, a senior English major, said the tradition of Bonfire should not be supported through donations or otherwise unless it is fully supported by the University.

"The students that put the Unity Project together last year did so without the University behind them," Gross said. "I know they had good intentions, but Aggies shouldn't be willing to monetarily support an event that cannot compare to the original and that will never be liked by the original unless endorsed by A&M."

The Unity Project wants to continue and be successful in the future.

"We want to provide a tradition and keep it going year after year," Cheatham said. "The year was bonfire's most successful because it came back when we proved people wrong. This is more important than whether we get our money back or not."

**NEWS IN BRIEF**

**Inflammation testing suggested**

(AP) - New guidelines issued Monday urge doctors to consider testing millions of Americans at moderate risk for heart disease for signs of inflammation in the bloodstream - a newly recognized cause of heart attacks.

Evidence has been building for several years that inflammation is a major trigger for heart trouble, worse even than high cholesterol. But until now, doctors have been unsure how and when to look for the condition, which can be measured with a simple blood test.

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Thursday, Jan. 30 -	Banquet**	7:00-9:00
	Briarcrest Country Club	
Friday, Jan. 31 -	Steak Dinner*	7:00-9:00
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Saturday, Feb. 1 -	Bid Day*	11:00-12:00
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