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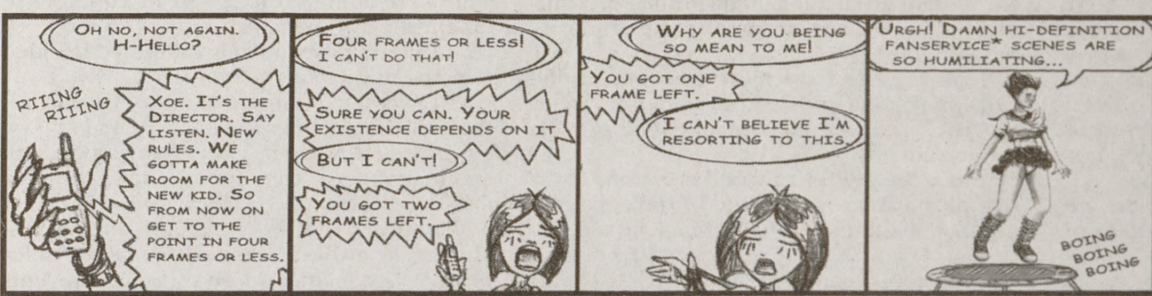
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## Diversity

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effort, campus visits are arranged for prospective students, and phone calls are made to those admitted to answer any questions about academic programs and student life. Also, former student clubs arrange socials for local high school students who have been accepted to A&M, and the University provides students with information about scholarship and financial aid opportunities.

"We need to at least get to the point where the matriculation rate is equal for all students," Ashley said.

University officials have already calculated the ethnic mix of the student body that would result if blacks and Hispanics enrolled at the same rate as whites - the current freshmen class, which is approximately 2.8 percent black and 9.7 percent Hispanic, would be 3.6 percent black and 12 percent Hispanic.

However, findings from a study conducted by A&M's Race and Ethnic Studies Institute suggest these recruitment efforts will have little success. Jay Arekere, an associate research scientist at the institute, said a survey of minority students who were admitted to A&M but chose not to enroll shows that most opted for another school for financial or academic reasons.

"None of the students actually stated race as being a problem," Arekere said.

Although many minorities perceived A&M to be conservative and not receptive to minorities, they also believe similar problems exist at other schools, Arekere said, and lack of diversity was not a factor in their selection of a college.

But Arekere also said improving the University's perception in minority communities might help to increase the number of minority applicants.

Estrada said it is imperative that A&M be permitted to consider race in awarding scholarships,

but said the issue of race in admissions was a complicated one that the University would not address until the Supreme Court has ruled on the matter. He also said a plan proposed this past year to extend automatic admission to the top 20 percent of graduates from selected low-income, predominately minority high schools has been permanently shelved.

Estrada acknowledged that the top 10 percent plan is successful in increasing minority enrollment partially because most minorities attend predominately-minority schools and do not compete with whites.

Estrada disputed criticisms that the percent plan lowers standards, pointing out that top 10 percent students have a higher retention rate than non-top 10 students.

A recent report from the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights concluded that percentage plans such as the one in Texas were not effective, and that affirmative action was necessary to ensure diverse student bodies.

## Tuition

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and there will be pain in some areas," Gates said. "We will make very tough decisions internally."

The proposed increase is intended to stop the decline in the number of A&M

faculty, and to give A&M students the education they deserve, Gates said.

"Increasing the tuition is essentially the last resort," He said.

When questioned about the impact of the UAT increase on low-income families, Gates said 10 percent of the \$2.2 million generated by the increase in student tuition will go to financial aid packages, he said.

"We don't want to cut services to students; we want to protect faculty and protect students," He said.

Student Body President Zac Coventry expressed support for Gates's plan.

"We have a rough time ahead of us. We need to find a place to make up for funding and decreasing the student/faculty ratio," Coventry said.

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## NEWS IN BRIEF

### SQL computer bug hits A&M Friday

The Microsoft SQL bug that affected computer systems nationwide this weekend hit A&M on Friday, Jan. 24 at around 11:30 p.m., according to Willis Marti, the associate director of Networking in the Computing and Information Systems (CIS) office.

Marti said there was "an awful lot of traffic on the Internet at that time" that was soon joined by increased activity from A&M's computers. The system quickly became overloaded with errors, he said.

"By 1 a.m. we had our on-call networkers working on the problem, trying to isolate infected computers," Marti said. "But by 6 or 7 a.m. we realized we were fighting a losing battle, and we decided to cut off everything but our machine room web system, and notified administrators of our decision."

An emergency notice was posted on the University's home page Saturday morning to notify users of the problem.

Technicians then worked to reconnect each on- and off-campus building independently, as the computers with the SQL program in those systems were identified.

The Microsoft SQL program is a database program that networks use to compile information about large groups of people. A&M had not yet "patched the program," or purchased and installed an updated version of the program that would have prevented the problem. According to the CIS Web site, the vulnerability that was targeted was discovered in July 2002.

Marti said most of the campus network was shut down from 1 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. on Saturday.

## CORRECTIONS

On page five of the Jan. 27 issue, in the article entitled, "Gates to speak at University Writing Center open house," the open house takes place today from 1 to 5 p.m.

On page one of the Jan. 24 issue, in the article titled "Fails family fights to preserve son's memory," Margaret Meece is the Justice of the Peace for Brazos County.

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