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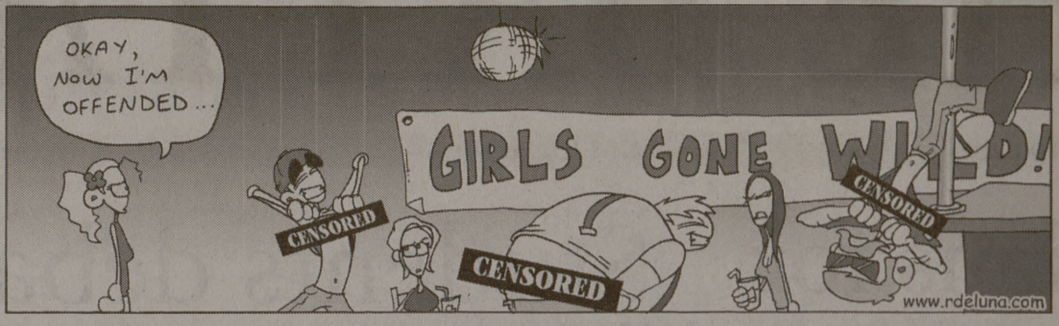
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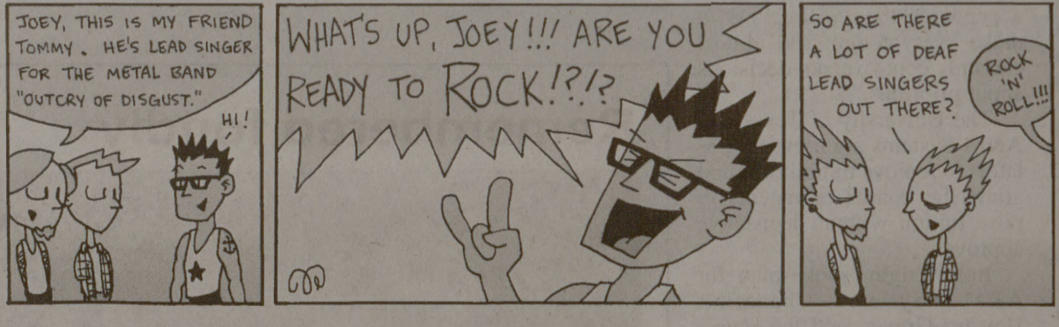
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**Franchione**  
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To build his team, Franchione stressed the importance of attitude and discipline along with other factors such as attention to detail, work ethic and sound fundamentals.

Franchione said he looks closely at attitudes in recruits and will sacrifice talent for a better attitude.

"A good attitude spreads, and so does a bad one," Franchione said.

After the event, junior architecture major Jeremy Gorden said he was blown away by Franchione's speech.

"He (Franchione) is so intelligent and articulate," Gorden said.

Brendan Kinne, senior international studies major, also said he found Franchione very intelligent, and is excited to see what the football team will do next year.

"It is exciting to see a new face and theory," Kinne said. "We reached a certain level and plagued but Franchione can take us past that."

Franchione said he plans for the main disciplinarians of the team to be the players themselves, and to aid with discipline, he created the leadership council, a group of team leaders voted on by team members.

"If a player messes up in practice, other players will be harder on him than I will," Franchione said.

Along with several mentions of his own family, Franchione explained how he hopes to develop the team as a football family.

Franchione devoted the last few minutes of his speech to discussing the 2003 recruiting class for A&M is considered by many to be one of the nation's best.

"Having the experts rank us well is better than the alternative, which is being ranked low," Franchione said.

Following his speech, Franchione answered questions from the crowd, which ranged from his football play plans to the importance of spiritual development on the team.

Football spring training begins March 18 and is open to the public. The next in the Issues Forum series, which will include nine other speakers over topics ranging from war to gardening, will be Peter Roussel, White House Press Secretary for former President Bush.

**Budget**  
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students.

"If there isn't enough to fund A&M, I've got to consider letting A&M charge what they need to to keep A&M a good school," Ogden said.

Rep. Fred Brown, chair of the Higher Education Committee, said he wants to get as much funding as possible for higher education.

"We have the best and the brightest, and we need to get that money for them," Brown said.

Brown said he and other members of the Republican-controlled state legislature are in favor of full tuition deregulation for public universities as a possible solution to the budget shortfalls.

"Right now tuition funding for Sam Houston State is the same as it is for A&M," Brown said. A formula using enrollment and other criteria is used to determine tuition caps for public universities, he said.

However, students and faculty have voiced opposition to tuition deregulation.

Cindy Sanchez is the first in her family to graduate high school and attend college. She said deregulation will hurt her in the long run as she makes it through school.

"The only way I am able to afford college is through scholarships, loans, grants, and the little bit of savings I have to live off of," said Sanchez, a sophomore English major. "Raising tuition to attend college is making my dream to receive a college degree harder than ever."

**NEWS IN BRIEF**

**Man surrenders after girlfriend found dead**

Charges are pending against a man who spent 13 hours perched on a downtown San Antonio parking garage ledge after police found his girlfriend dead.

The man surrendered to police 1 a.m. Thursday after speaking to his sister, police said.

The 45-year-old man, who had not been identified Thursday morning, had refused to speak with police negotiators. His sister called police after seeing his photo on an evening television news broadcast.

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