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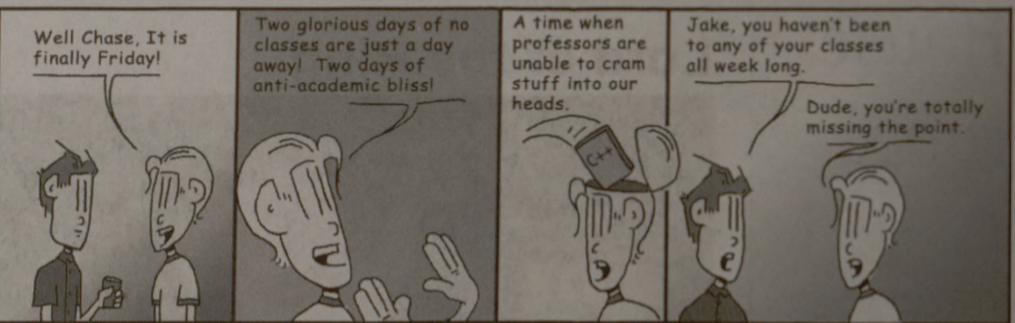
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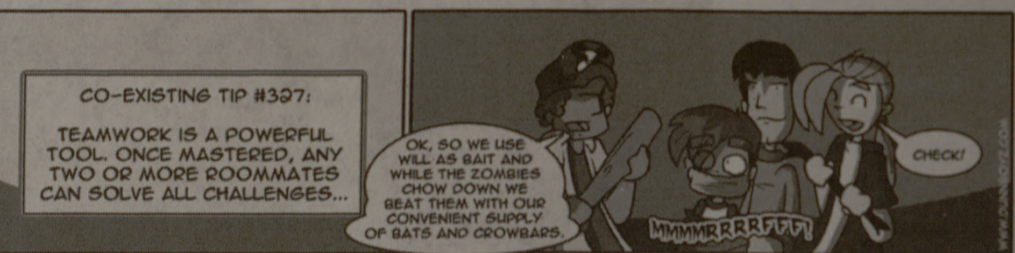
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### Open House

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make this large place feel significantly smaller," said Haley Gressett, a transfer student and sophomore kinesiology major. "I have been waiting to get to A&M for two years, and now I am finally here. I want to make the very most of it."

Michelle Steffek, a senior education major, has spent three years in the Aggie Orientation Leader Program and is convinced campus involvement enriches the college experience.

"I want to broaden my horizons this year and get to know different people in majors outside of mine," Steffek said. "As far as which I will join, I am not sure and will just go Sunday keeping all my options open."

Open House will also feature entertainment by local bands, singing groups and dancers.

### Redistricting

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a majority of the seats to reflect Republican voting trends in the state.

Ellis said Bush has no "plausible deniability" of involvement in the push to redraw congressional districts because Rove has made calls to state lawmakers on the issue.

"A paid federal government employee making calls from the White House, our house, is acting at the behest of his or her employer, pure and simple," Ellis said.

The White House did not respond to a request for comment. In a briefing

Wednesday White House press secretary Scott McClellan said Bush is always concerned about Texas but the redistricting issue is a Texas matter.

State Sen. Eliot Shapleigh said after comparing notes with Colorado legislators who visited the Democrats in New Mexico "we began to see a national pattern of abuse."

"What's happening here is people in the Republican party are trying to overturn the results of elections," said Rep. Martin Frost of Texas. "They are trying to overturn the results of elections in Texas two years ago. They trying to over-

turn the results of the election in California. They are trying to overturn results of election Colorado."

David Beckwith, spokesman for Republican Texas Lt. Gov. Dewhurst, dismissed Democratic accusations, saying the Democrats' arguments didn't make sense since they are using a national, left-leaning group in the redistricting fight.

Beckwith said he told Perry will call a third special session and that if Whitt doesn't return to the capitol on his own, Republican will go get him, although later said that decision is up to Perry.

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