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**Delay**

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both left the Capitol Saturday night to watch their alma maters, Texas Tech and Texas A&M, play a football game.

Republicans want to draw a map that will increase their numbers in Texas' congressional delegation, which is now led by Democrats 17-15 under a map approved in 2001 by three federal judges. Some GOP proposals would increase Republican seats by as many as six. Democrats have fought to keep current lines in place.

Republicans, however, are arguing with themselves over the shape of three West Texas districts. Craddick wants a new Midland-based district that would represent the oil and gas industry by separating it from Lubbock, but Sen. Robert Duncan, R-Lubbock, wants to maintain his region's farm and agriculture representation in Congress.

Lawmakers can consider legislation until the end of the current special session, which concludes Oct. 15. But a redistricting bill would not take effect until 90 days after Perry, a Republican, signs it. Even if the Legislature passed the redistricting bill and Perry signed it Monday, prospective congressional candidates would have missed the filing period by two days.

An elections bill that could be used to delay either the filing deadline, the March 2 primary, or both, has been sent to a House-Senate conference

committee for consideration. But, opposition from both sides of the aisle could halt a delay of the primary in this session.

During the regular legislative session, the Texas presidential primary was moved up a week from March 9 to March 2 to join California and New York and enhance Texas' role in the selection of presidential nominees.

Rep. Phil King, R-Weatherford, and House Speaker Tom Craddick, R-Midland, both key voices in negotiations, have indicated that they're not concerned about moving the primary.

Critics say that delaying the primary would diminish turnout, waste tax dollars and interfere with local elections.

"Delaying the primary for Tom DeLay would be just another in a long list of outrageous Republican actions," said Texas Democratic Party Chairwoman Molly Beth Malcolm.

Perry, however, maintained that the push to put more Republicans in Texas' congressional delegation would accurately reflect the state's voting trends.

Perry said he would rather not postpone the primary but that lawmakers should finish the redrawing congressional boundaries.

"I think what's more important is to have a process that works where the people of the state can elect their representatives to Congress in lines that have been drawn by the duly elected representatives," Perry said. "That's the most important issue. When we have that election is not as important as having the election."

**Partnership**

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"There was a retreat this summer that helped frame what the partnership is," Birney said. "It is great that A&M is starting a presence in the south side of San Antonio."

The idea is to create a program for the students to get involved in focusing on higher education, Birney said.

"One of the ways to help is

by offering college courses to students," she said.

Students will have the opportunity to earn college credit through A&M at Kingsville.

Byrd said the benefits of this partnership are significant in many ways.

"Every little bit helps," he said. "The more allies we have out in public schools, the more likely we are to get them involved in higher education. This gives us a great resource to promote Texas A&M."

The amount of money this partnership will cost is unknown. Byrd said it is being funded partly by the A&M System, the south side school districts involved, the mayor and the state.

Birney said the partnership should prove beneficial to the school districts in San Antonio and A&M.

"Having the college connect with the school systems is a plus," she said. "Together they can establish a lot of support for the students."

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**Clarification**

In The Battalion's Oct. 3 page 1 article, "Tech security increased for game," Texas A&M associate director for symphonic bands Timothy Rhea.

**NEWS IN BRIEF**  
**Web-based system replaces BONFIRE**

The BONFIRE student information system was replaced by a Web-based system Oct. 3.

The new system will provide the same services as the previous one and will have several benefits over the old system. It will incorporate both Student Financial Services and Student Financial Aid.

It will allow for a much higher level of security than the BONFIRE system, said Larry Malota, associate director of Student Information Systems.

Information will be available through a single session rather than multiple sessions and multiple sign-ons to the BONFIRE system.

Director of Computing and Information Services Tom Putnam said the new system will be accessible via the Neo students use to access their Neo accounts. He said this will help students in terms of organization and security.

The Web site can be accessed [myrecord.tamu.edu](http://myrecord.tamu.edu).

**Awareness**

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impact this illness has on a family, friends and the community, Lekawski said, "and to learn about how serious this disease is are all reasons why we should be concerned about this issue."

Senior elementary education major Kimberly Skelton said she was in eighth grade when her mother was diagnosed with breast cancer.

"I was devastated," she said. "It was all too much to handle."

Though doctors name factors that may increase the risk of developing breast cancer, definite causes are unknown.

"The importance of exercise and avoiding obesity may be contributing factors to decrease the risk of being diagnosed with breast cancer," Lekawski said.

Family history of breast cancer, not having children and having a first child after the age of 30 are some high risk factors of developing breast cancer.

Skelton said she takes precautions because of her family history of breast cancer.

"I go for yearly check-ups, and I avoid anything and everything that may cause breast cancer, such as tanning beds," she said.

Signs of breast cancer include: a lump or thickening in or near the breast or underarm that persists throughout the menstrual cycle, a change in the size, shape or contour of the breast and a change in the feel or appearance of the skin or redness on the breast or nipple, according to NABCO. A cancerous lump can feel as small as the size of a pea.

Breast cancer does not only affect women. This year, 1,300 cases of male breast cancer are expected to be diagnosed, and 400 men will die from this disease, according to NABCO.

Available treatments include surgery, radiation, chemotherapy and hormone therapy.

There is a 97 percent chance for five-year survival after treatment for early-stage breast cancer, according to NABCO, and there are more than two million breast cancer survivors in the United States today.

"Have faith and hope," Skelton said, "and have a good attitude."

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