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China

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will join former U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger and Qian Qichen, former vice premier of the State Council of the People's Republic of China, to deliver the first keynote address on Wednesday. Former Secretary of State James Baker joins Chinese Ambassador Yang Jiechi, who will also speak later that evening.

Lane Stephenson, deputy director of University Relations, said the conference is an opportunity for students to hear world leaders speak about China.

"The world is shrinking," Stephenson said. "Globalization is a fact of life and China will continue to emerge as an important player."

Stephenson said the speeches will cover all aspects of China's relationship with the United States and how to improve it.

"The purpose of the conference is to create better understanding to the future leaders of tomorrow," Stephenson said. "Aggies need to know about this."

Stephenson said good relations with China are beneficial for trade and other economic purposes.

"Some Texas A&M students might be posted in China," Stephenson said. "They're continuing to be a significant partner with the United States as well as other countries."

Most of the conference is by invitation only, except for the keynote speakers. The conference is in conjunction with China Week, which is currently underway, featuring educational programs, displays and performances from the Chinese culture.

Student Body President Matt Josefy said he challenges and encourages students to attend and participate in many ways as they can.

"In an increasingly global society, students need to know about other cultures, especially China, which has over two billion people," Josefy said.

The Powell, Kissinger and Qian Qichen address will take place on Wednesday at 9:15 a.m. in Rudder Auditorium.

The Baker and Yang Jiechi address will be at 6 p.m. at the Baker Library. Long Yongtu, the secretary-general of Boao Forum for Asia, will speak at 1:45 p.m. at the George Bush Presidential Library and Museum on Thursday. Tickets for these two speeches are available at the Office of the Vice President of Research in the Administration Building, room 310.

The conference is hosted by A&M and the George Bush School of Government and Public Service along with the George Bush Presidential Library Foundation and the Chinese People's Association for Friendship with Foreign Countries.

Complete program listings for the conference and China Week are available at <http://china-us.tamu.edu> and http://international.tamu.edu/China_week_info.htm.

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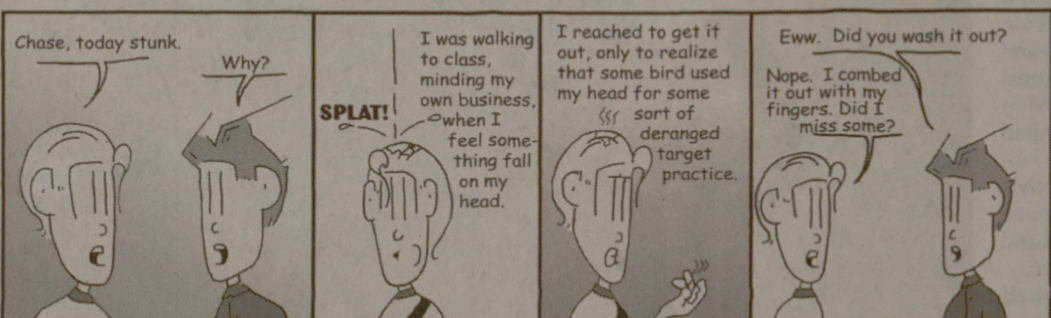
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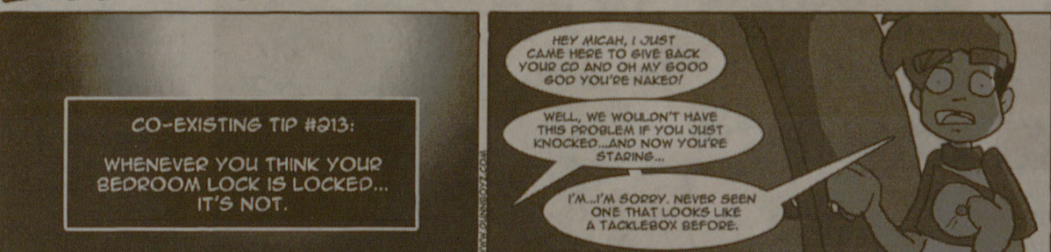


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Lights

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under this program include intersection control, DWI enforcement and occupant restraint. Officers participate in this on an overtime basis, Langwell said.

"Head-on collisions are the only form of vehicle-related accidents worse than those occurring at an intersection due to failure to stop at a red light," Carmon said.

Cars are not designed to endure this type of collision to the side, Carmon said.

"Through the grant program, the Texas Department of Transportation and Texas Department of Public Safety have taken every pre-

caution available," said Bob Colwell, public information officer for the Texas Department of Transportation. "We have sent out news and press releases to encourage drivers not to run the lights."

Colwell said the issue of motorists running red lights needs to be dealt with through enforcement.

"We don't want to see anyone get hurt," he said. The law instructs drivers to approach all intersections at an appropriately reduced speed. Accelerating through a yellow light is grounds for a citation, Carmon said. He said traffic, weather, pedestrians and vehicles are factors that make this law necessary.

"I think that traffic laws should be handled with more care," Holtz said. "But it is difficult to convince a town full of stressed-out, hurried young adults to not get discouraged."

Iraq

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of the rubble, trying to escape, trying to get out of the burning metal."

Hundreds of portable, shoulder-fired missiles are unaccounted for in Iraq, potential threats to a U.S. occupation army that relies heavily on the slow, low-flying CH-47 Chinook craft for troop transport. The U.S. command has

offered Iraqis \$500 apiece for each portable missile turned in but has refused to say how many have been surrendered.

In one search operation Monday, U.S. military police stretched out razor wire and set up checkpoints along the main artery running north from Baghdad, now dubbed "Highway 1," to look for weapons, including anti-aircraft missiles.

"We have had indication that more of stuff like this (missiles)

are moving out there," said Lt. Col. Dave Poirier, commander of the 720th Military Police Battalion. "People know they are taking a big chance in transporting weapons ... and for some of these large weapons systems, you'd have to have a truck to transport it."

Spec. Andrew Fifield of San Antonio jumped on top of a truck transporting pomegranates and picked through the fruit carefully.

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