


I HAVE A DREAM

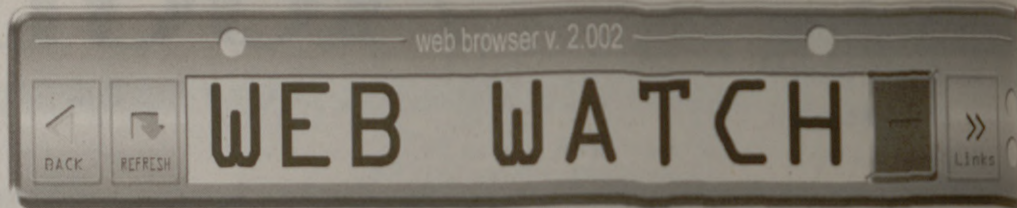
2004 Campus With A Dream Week

Tuesday, January 20th
 10am-12pm, Rudder Fountain
Kickoff Celebration
 12pm-1pm, Stark Gallery
Kickoff Speech
 2pm-4pm, Evans Library Room 106
Lecture and Discussion: "Diversity, Collegiality, and the Scholarly Environment at Texas A&M"
Wednesday, January 21st
 12pm-1pm, Rudder Fountain
MSC Town Hall: Lunch Box Concert
 11:30am-1pm, Rudder Fountain
MSC Literary Arts Committee: The World's Longest Poem
 5pm, Rudder 502
MSC E.L. Miller: "A Cultural Look at the History of Technology"
Thursday, January 22nd
 11:10am-12:25pm, Harrington 204
A History on Perspectives of "Race"
Lecture by Dr. Sheela Athreya
 11:10am-12:25pm, Blocker 160
Cultural Relativism
Lecture by Dr. Cynthia Werner
 11:30am-1pm, Rudder Fountain
MSC Literary Arts Committee: The World's Longest Poem
 12pm-1pm, Rudder Fountain
MSC Town Hall: Lunch Box Concert
 12:45pm-2pm, O&M Building 210
African American Folklore
Lecture by Dr. Tom Green
For More Information, Please Contact the Memorial Student Center at 845-1515
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5pm-10pm
 The Association of Former Students:
Southwestern Black Student Leadership Conference (SBSLC) Registration
 7pm, MSC 201
MSC CIA: American Voices
Friday, January 23rd
 10:20am-11:10am, Blocker 102
"North American Indians before Columbus"
Lecture by Dr. Alston Thomas
 12pm, Duncan Dining Hall
Southwestern Black Student Leadership Conference (SBSLC) with Speaker Bryon Baine
 SBSLC Variety Show
 7:10pm - Comedian, 7:45 - Slam Poet, 8:20pm - Step Africa
Saturday, January 24th
 10pm, MSC
MSC Aggie Nights: "Campus with a Dream" Sponsored by MSC ALOT, MSC FISH, MSC Hospitality and MSC LEAD
 10pm, MSC Flagroom
MSC Town Hall: Hip Hop Contest
Sunday, January 25th
 1:30pm, Rudder Auditorium
Southwestern Black Student Leadership Conference (SBSLC) - Keynote Speaker Nikki Giovanni
 2:45pm-4:00pm
Student Leader Forum: SBSLC delegates and TAMU student leaders session (Invitation Only)



Sunday, January 25th
 2pm-6pm, MSC Flagroom
MSC Open House with Entertainment
Monday, January 26th
 9am-2pm, MSC Flagroom
Viewing of "Eyes on the Prize" Apollo Auditions
 4pm-7pm, Rudder Auditorium
MSC Town Hall: Showtime at the Apollo Auditions
 7pm, Bush Presidential Conference Center
Campus with a Dream
 Keynote Speakers:
Dr. E.L. Miller, Dr. Sheela Athreya, Betty Miller Unterberger (Reception Following)
Tuesday, January 27th
 7:30pm, Rudder Auditorium
MSC OPAS: "Cats"
Wednesday, January 28th
 7:30pm, Rudder Auditorium
MSC OPAS: "Cats"



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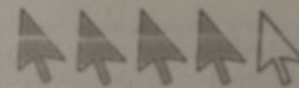
As the semester begins, exams, projects and hours of studying loom in the distance. But as every college student knows, studying also includes study breaks. For those times, check out www.newgrounds.com, an online repository of thousands of flash videos, games, movies and more.

A weary student can wander for hours and find a plethora of distractions from studying. There is something for everyone here, and while the interface is not the best on the Web, it does work. Then again, half the fun of the Web site is simply browsing and finding some random videos that will make visitors laugh aloud.

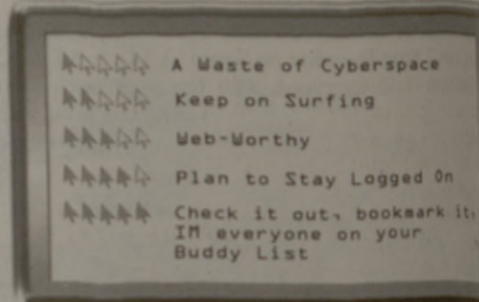
Things such as the Chocobo Mix or Stick-Man series are random, but it's all well done and you only short change yourself if you don't check it out.

Then there are hundreds of games of all types and styles. From action to fighting, to strategy games and more, there is something for everyone here. From the devilishly addictive Fishy, to the stylishly cool Divine Intervention, there are hours

of entertainment available. The best part: it's free. However, there are banners for mature sites but it is nothing inappropriate or objectionable. Even though it has a clunky interface and can be difficult to find specific games, newgrounds.com abundance of games, videos and flash files more than make up for it. There are hundreds of hours worth of distractions here, and nearly everything is of great quality.



-- Paul C...



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Oscar buzz surrounds Astin's 'Lord of the Rings' performance



ASTIN

NEW YORK (AP) — Sean Astin is ready to pack up his hobbit stuff as soon as he can.

"I've been ready to move on since we finished principal photography," Astin tells *Newsday* in Sunday's editions during a round of publicity for "Return of the King,"

the final installment of the J.R.R. Tolkien adaptation. "But the rest of the world won't let me."

In all three parts of "The Lord of the Rings," Astin plays hobbit Samwise Gamgee, the devoted sidekick to gallant Frodo Baggins, played by Elijah Wood. Astin, who previously charmed audiences in "Rudy," is being men-

tioned as a possible Academy Award nominee this year.

The buzz is something that Astin hopes to capitalize on.

"There's a direct correlation between the energy surrounding this interview cycle and the opportunities coming down the pike for me," says Astin. "My life right now is like ... when you look at a lava lamp, it's like the moment right before everything pours over."

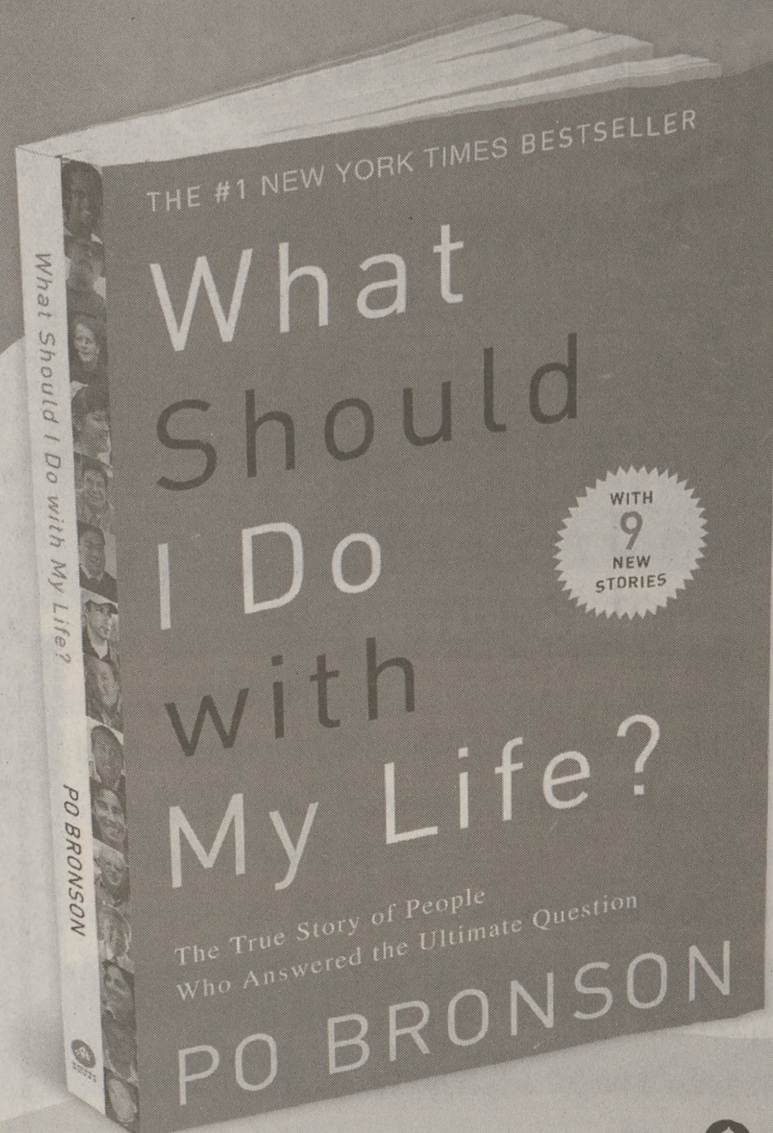
Astin isn't altogether sure why his performance in the third film has generated so much acclaim.

"I'm guessing that a lot of people connect with Sam because he's the one who's obviously the most emotionally fragile and yet he carries on, and, in the end, survives," he says. "Maybe he connects with the fragile part in all of us that we have to cope with when we're confronted with something bigger than we are."

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