

Film

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100 days of shooting ... we had barely 30 (days). So there were a lot of us having to work really quickly.

DT: When Greg was talking about '70s movies, what were you referring to?

GJ: Well, the thing I loved about movies from that era is that they're not particularly one kind of movie. If you look at "Midnight Cowboy" or "The French Connection" or other great films from that era, they're not one particular kind of film, which is what I hoped we pulled off with this script. This isn't just a caper movie, or a con movie or a buddy movie — it's a movie that talks about issues of family, race and the city. It's a number of different things, and it's not just an indie little art film.

Women

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promote the event, there were a few replies that said there should not be an open house exclusively for women.

"We just want to help Aggie women have a pleasant and positive experience at Texas A&M," Bendoraitis said.

Casey Brown, a senior finance major and member of American Business Women Association, said women at A&M are given many opportunities, but gender issues do occasionally arise.

"Women have to worry a lot more about how they dress and sexual discrimination," Brown said.

Brenda Bethman, coordinator for the Women's Center and GIES, said information will be available at the open house regarding sexual violence among men and women, an issue that few know about.

"It is a great opportunity for males to know how to help sisters, girlfriends or friends in different situations," Bethman said. "Statistically, women are more likely to go to their guy friends for help."

Bethman said women have different social and personal needs than men and GIES is trying to raise awareness for that and show what is available for women.

Brian Burnett, a senior management information systems major, said there are still many prejudices against women.

"This shows the effort Texas A&M has to try to close those gaps while not hurting the opposite sex," Burnett said. "Brenda Bethman should be commended on her work."

Blake Peveto, a senior accounting major, said having a sister helps him understand what women go through. He encourages men to attend the open house.

"I realize the hardships that sometimes occur for women," Peveto said. "Guys need to be aware, too, so that they do not perpetuate the problem themselves."

Blood

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will continue to do that (donate blood) in years to come," said Theresa Evangelista, territory manager for the Bryan-College Station Red Cross Center.

For every pint of blood, three lives can be saved, because the Red Cross can separate the blood into three parts: red cells, plasma and platelets, Evangelista said.

"40 percent of the population is O positive, and it is the most needed," Evangelista said.

Hale reiterated the dilemma of getting college students to donate. Hale said the challenge is the donating genera-

tion is aging, and new donors are needed to keep the blood supply up.

"This (blood drive) is particularly effective at Texas A&M. We really were worried about Labor Day, but we exceeded our goal on Monday, Hale said.

Hale said from April 2003 to last week, 6,000 pints have been donated, A&M alone.

"The Red Cross is the primary supplier for the Brazos County hospitals. It definitely does not go out of Texas," Evangelista said.

The blood given by donors goes to the Brazos County and if there is any available will be transported to six surrounding communities.



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