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PV Co-ed paints pictures... with her feet!

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# The Panther

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Prairie View A&M University

Friday, April 27 1990

## New post office!

Plans are underway for new building that is projected for opening in 1991

By Rebecca L. Turner  
Chief Copy Editor

Plans for a new post office building are now underway. The new post office will be located on FM 1090 Loop, directly behind Hobart Taylor. The post office will serve the city of Prairie View and the student body of Prairie View A&M University.

The current post office facility is being leased from the university. "The new post office is needed and will greatly enhance the total mail situation," said Dr. Harold Bonner, vice president of the administration.

"There is a long overdue need for an expansion, in order to meet the needs of the com-

munity and university."

The new post office will be designed to meet the needs of the handicapped with ramps and designated parking areas. Its design will also meet the needs of the senior citizens in the surrounding community.

The post office will be a one-story building approximately 6,500 square feet with 3500 personal mail boxes. Because of its location, the building will be easily accessible for commuters.

"It is a project that the university and the citizens of Prairie View have wanted for a long time," said Elroy Stevenson, a member of the Prairie View City Council.

The federal government is responsible for building the

facility which will be at no cost to the city of Prairie View or the university.

The current post office facility may be turned into a future copy center.

In 1982, Congressman Mickey Leland, former chairman of the Postal Committee, engaged in the effort for a new post office for the Prairie View area. Since Leland's death, Greg Laughlin, Texas U.S. Representative, has pushed the project ahead.

"This is a prime example of the federal government, the city, and the university for a project such as this to come together," said Mr. Elroy Stevenson. The projected completion date of the project will be in 1991.

## Campus all-star team headed for semi-finals set in nation's capital

Rebecca Turner  
Chief Copy Editor

als.

Prairie View A&M University was awarded a \$10,000 grant. Miles Brooks, the team captain, was selected to the All Star Team. A grant of \$1,000 was awarded to the university in his honor.

Five PV students participated in the National Championship of the Campus All Star Challenge held on April 6-10 in Washington, D.C.. The new question and answer game for Historically Black Colleges & Universities is modeled after the College Bowl.

The five member team defeated Savannah College in the play-offs. The team then defeated Howard University in the quarter finals, and advanced to the semifinals.

The team is coached by Frederick V. Roberts, director of Student Activities. The team includes Miles Brooks, Josph Hunt, Gregory Jackson, Marvin Young, and Twala Freeman. Wendolyn Ingram is the challenge director.

## P V spring concert hits a sour note; cancelled!

By Kevin Lyons  
Editor-in-Chief

contract demands were not met either.

"The annual spring fest concert that was to feature Mikki Howard and David Peaston was cancelled due to a lack of funding," stated Frederick Roberts, director of student activities.

"The promoters for the concert--Troop Entertainment and Festival Occasions--not Prairie View, were to pay Howard and Peaston 50 percent of the money at the signing of the contract. The rest of the money was to be paid an hour before the performance time. Needless to say, the promoters did not have the funds that were promised to the performers," said Roberts.

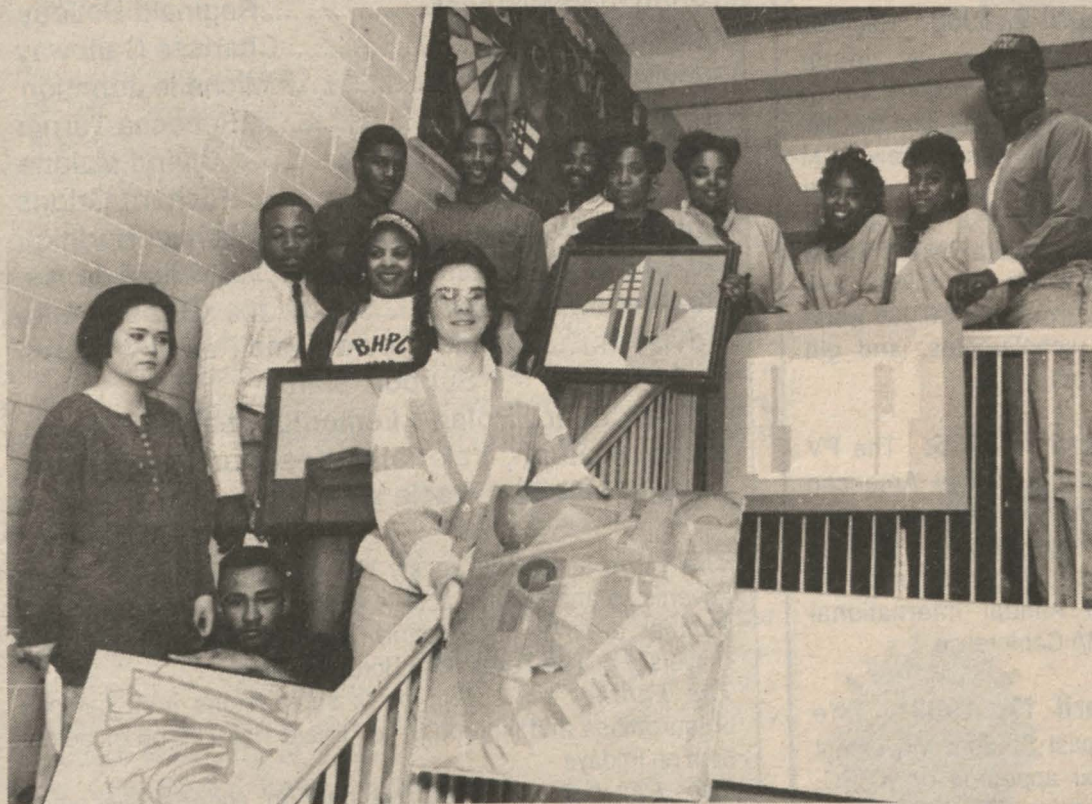
Roberts added that despite the mix-up, management for Mikki Howard and David Peaston were receptive to the idea of performing. However, the lighting and sound crew refused to set up because their

The concert, which was originally slated to feature Terri Ellis (a former Prairie View student) and the rest of the Envogue singers, was held up for about two hours before representatives for David Peaston announced to the audience the cancellation. Afterwards, many students were seen scurrying back to the ticket booth to get ticket refunds. Refunds were not given until the next day and at press time 65 percent of all tickets were refunded.

"Despite the concert cancellation, I was very pleased with the professional reaction of the students," stated Roberts. "The scene could have been very ugly, but everyone seemed to be very understanding."

Roberts also added that future concerts would be produced and directed through student activities.

## STUDENT ART EXHIBITION



The Prairie View A&M University Advertising and Design Classes will be holding their annual Student Spring Exhibition on April 30, 1990 in the John B. Coleman Library Art Gallery. Professors Harold Dorsey and Clarence Talley will be sponsoring the event.

# PAGE TWO

## BRIEFLY

### NEWS

The 10th annual Education Job Fair was recently held at Prairie View A&M University. Participants included representatives from 120 Texas school districts and 15 out-of-state districts.

According to Brenda Lorick, director of the Counseling and Career Development Office, there were 143 student applicants who participated in the event. Also sponsoring the event was the PVAMU College of Education, with students from the following organizations serving as facilitators: the Association for Elementary Education Majors (AFEEM); the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC); the Texas Student Education Association (TSEA); the education honor society Kappa Delta Pi; and the Reading Council, which is supervised by Dr. Martha L. Baily of the Department of Curriculum and Instruction.

The Engineering Forensics Association gave a special presentation titled "What is Education?" The group, whose president and founder is Christopher J. McClarron, was invited by numerous school districts to do presentations.

The Prairie View A&M University Department of English and Foreign Languages sponsored a Foreign Language Day on Wednesday, April 18, in the John B. Coleman Library's Public Events Room from 8 am to 5 pm.

Program Director, Dr. June C. D. Carter said that Foreign Language Day was for foreign language enthusiasts and for students who wished to improve their proficiency in a foreign language. The guest speaker was Dr. Raul Cuero, research scientist in the Cooperative Agricultural Research Center.

The issue of drug and alcohol abuse and AIDS is a major concern on college campuses today. PVAMU has given significant attention to these issues. Recently, over 800 administrators, faculty and staff attended a drug free work place policy orientation. Information on these issues was distributed to students throughout the semester.

Plans are being made to continue a comprehensive program during the summer and into the fall semester. Dr. Doris Price, Assistant Vice-President for Student Affairs, stated that students are encouraged to read AIDS brochures so that they will not be in the dark about it.

### KPVU'S TOP TEN PLAYLIST

Title	Artist
1. Love Under New Management	Miki Howard
2. Hold On	Envogue
3. Whip Appeal	Babyface
4. Ready or Not	After 7
5. Poison	Bell, Biv, & DeVoe
6. Rub You the Right Way	Johnny Gill
7. The Humpty Dance	Digital Underground
8. U Can't Touch This	M.C. Hammer
9. Nicety	Michel'le
10. Alright	Janet Jackson

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days, that it takes for the moon to revolve around mother earth. Add two more days to get a month.

hours, that it takes pork to digest in the human body. Better cut down on hot dogs.

## PEOPLE



Rev. Clarence Talley

Clarence Talley, Prairie View A&M University Professor of Art, recently exhibited his work at the Texas A&M University Memorial Student Center Gallery and presented a lecture.

According to Visual Arts Advisor Joe Fenton, Talley's lecture "was superb and enjoyed by almost 100 people. During the month of February, it is estimated that over 2,000 viewers visited the gallery to view his work."

The exhibit, titled "The Color Red," featured his watercolor collages.

Fenton said, "The response to Rev. Talley's painting was indeed positive, and there were several requests for a return visit in the near future."

"He was a joy to work with, and his winning personality made him a favorite with our students. It was a special treat to meet the students that Rev. Talley brought with him for the lecture. More of this type of interaction should be encouraged," added Fenton.

Marcell Thompson, represented Prairie View A&M University at

Mrs. Thelma Pierre. As a result of this presentation and the university's involvement in this conference, additional information was acquired and new material will be available for distribution to the Prairie View A&M University students.

Matthew H. Dawson, delivered the keynote address during the Department of Student Life Employee Awards luncheon yesterday.

Dawson is a SWAC graduate of Alabama State University. In 1987, he successfully chaired a multi-million dollar campaign to establish the first chair on campus in the school of business.

A strong advocate for personal development, Dawson presses for a strong educational system emphasizing cultural exposure, fair play and practice, positive attitudes, and a corporate community organization, which are key factors for a better society.

Dawson is currently an Internal Staffing manager at Del Monte Foods in San Francisco, California.

the National Association For Equal Opportunity for Higher Education in Washington, D.C. Thompson presented a paper on campus environment and student response to AIDS education. This paper was well received by all who attended the program.

Thompson was assisted in the preparation of the paper by Dr. Doris Price, Col. Jiles Daniels, Dr. Clyde McDaniel, Dr. Benjamin Berry, Dr. Johanna Thomas and

### Files From Prairie View's Past

#### APRIL

April 9, 1988: Rachelle C. Fisher, a junior Architecture major from Las Vega, Nevada won the title of Miss Prairie View A&M University. Fisher performed a saxophone solo of Anita Baker's Sweet Love for her talent, and received over \$6,000 worth of scholarships, and gift prizes.

April 7, 1985: The PV Chapter of the American Marketing Association was recognized as an outstanding chapter at the 7th Annual International AMA Conference.

April 17, 1983: The Baptist Student Movement choir appeared on KPRC, Channel 2 TV in Houston, Texas. Rev. Van W. Johnson gave the meditation.

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## NEWSWEEK

### Mr. PVAMU Pageant scheduled for tonight

University Release

The Fourth Annual Mr. Prairie View A&M University Scholarship Pageant will be held tonight at 7:00 p.m. in the University Fieldhouse. The pageant theme is "A Royal Knight in 1990." Contestants for Mr. Prairie View are Frankie L. Hallum, Timothy Reed, Michael A. Smith, and Darwin Williams.

The competition gives the men of PVAMU an opportunity to represent the university in important engagements. This year's pageant will feature the talents of Marquee The Band, Mary Ann Palmer, Shari Love, the Classic Dance Ensemble, and Eric Anderson.

Hallum, a junior majoring in music performance, is from Dallas. His ambition is to become a successful song writer and producer. He will give a vocal rendition in the pageant.

Reed, a junior music educa-

tion major, is from Waco. With a goal of becoming a singer and musical performer, he will also give a vocal rendition.

Smith is a junior merchandise and fashion design major from Brenham, whose talent will be a martial arts performance. His ambition is to become one of the best fashion designers and to own and operate his own design studio.

Williams is a junior accounting major from Houston, with an ambition of earning his commission in the U.S. Army as a Second Lieutenant in the Finance Corps. His talent will be a dramatic interpretation.

The executive committee for this year's production are Frederick Roberts, executive producer; Christine Sandord, advisor; Roger Taylor, producer; Janetta Conner, contestant development; Robert Brown, promotions; Rosalyn Antoine, hospitality, and Joyce Nigh, correspondence.

### Laura X addresses date and marital rape issue

By Valerie McKee Staff Writer

Minutes."

She explained that in some

Here on campus and surrounding communities, there is a growing problem of Date and Marital Rape.

states before the 1980's, if a man and woman were married, the husband had a legal right to force sex on his wife and that

On April 23, there was a seminar sponsored by the campus activities board on the subject, the guest was Laura X, a renowned speaker on the social, legal, political, historical, religious, philosophical, economic, and the psychological aspects of Date and Marital Rape. She uses the X to symbolize her protest against what she feels is the legal ownership of wives by their husbands.

The first part of the two and one-half hour program was a 23 minute video clip of interviews with Marital Rape victims and their children, plus a debate on the subject by Laura X and an attorney, which was aired on the CBS program "60

some 600,000 wives are raped by their husbands each year. Of those cases only 10 percent of the husbands are acquitted. In the debate, she asked does a woman loses her rights for protection against rape when she is married?

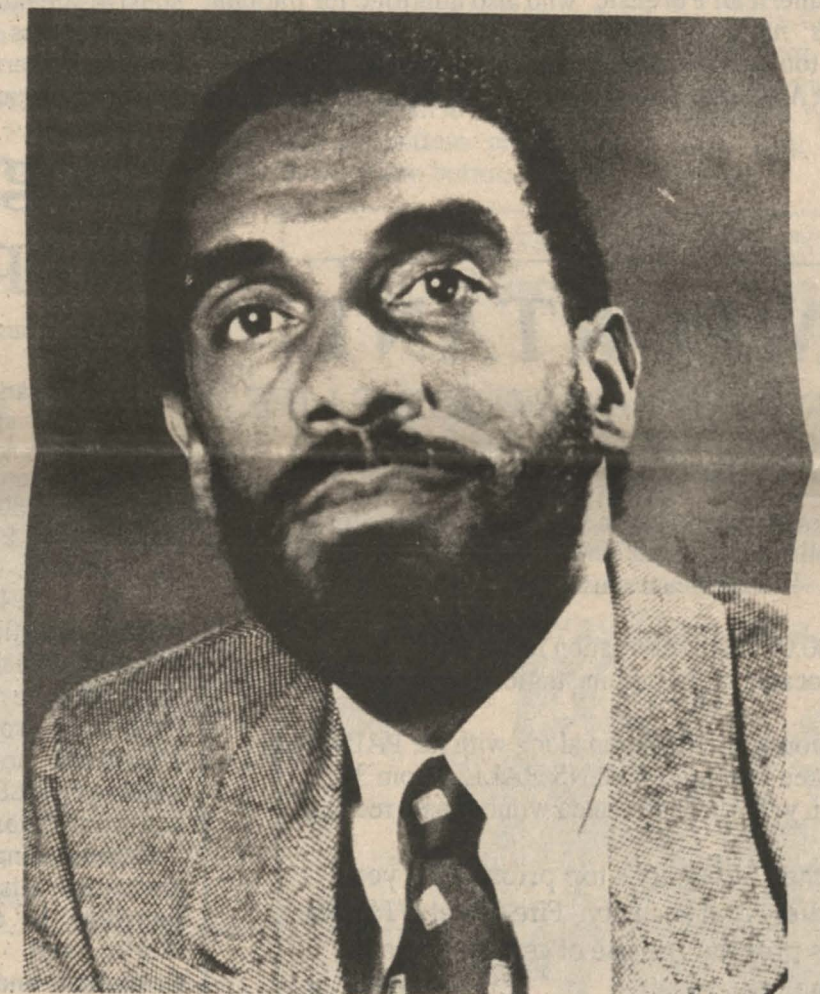
Laura X has been successful in her fight to make Marital Rape a crime against women since 1979, when she was the director of the California Campaign to make Marital Rape a crime and as a consultant to

45 other states campaigning against Date and Marital Rape. Today Delaware is the only state were rape whether it's date or marital is legal.

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# NEWSWEEK

## PV forensics team makes foes speechless

*University Release*

After winning first place in Team Sweepstakes at the Barbara Jordan Forensic Tournament last month, the Prairie View A&M University Forensic Team has continued to do well in both state and national competition. Most recently, Ron Ragston took 11th place in the nation in poetry interpretation at the American Forensic Association's national individual events tournament at the University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa. Ragston was a semi-finalist out of 112 contestants in poetry interpretation.

"Ron was awarded a beautiful pewter plaque, and we are quite proud of him," said Dr. Millard F. Eiland, head of the Department of Communications and Forensic Team coach. Ragston, a speech major, joined in the tournament drama major Donis Leonard, who also qualified for national competition. "These students competed against 150 colleges from all over the country," said Eiland.

Ragston and team member Richard Patterson scored in other recent tournament competitions. At the Lucky Leprechaun Frolic Tournament (University of Texas, Arlington), Ragston took second and fifth place in poetry and prose interpretation. Patterson took sixth place in both after dinner speaking and persuasive speaking. At the SMU Pony Express Tournament in Dallas, Patterson took third place in persuasive speaking and Ragston took fourth place in prose interpretation and the forensic team has competed in 11 tournaments. They won first and third in Team Sweepstakes at the Barbara Jordan Tournament and Sam Houston State University Tournament. Since September, the forensic Team has totaled over 50 trophies in tournaments, with seven first place trophies won by Ron Ragston, Chris Bridgette Hill, Melanie Lacy, McClarron, Patrick Briggs, Donis Leonard, Chris McClarron, Richard Patterson, Ron Leonard, and Gillian Williams.

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## Congressman to speak at class of '90 Spring Commencement

*University Release*

Congressman Greg Laughlin will be the speaker at the Prairie View A&M University Commencement ceremony May 13, 10:30 a.m., in the Health and Physical Education Building.

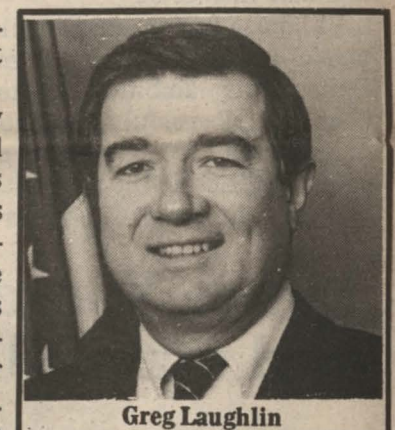
Born in 1942 in Bay City, Texas, Laughlin now resides in West Columbia, Brazoria County. In 1964, he received his B.A. in history from Texas A&M University and in 1967 he received his LL.B. from the University of Texas School of Law.

Representing the 14th Congressional District of Texas, Laughlin is on the Public Works and Transportation Committee and the Merchant Marines and Fisheries Committee. He is also a member of

the Board of Visitors of the U.S. Military Academy at West Point.

A graduate of the U.S. Army Command and the General Staff College, Laughlin was promoted to captain in 1969 as a U.S. Army Intelligence Officer and is now a Lt. Col. in the U.S. Army Reserves. He was awarded the Meritorious Service Award by Executive Order of the president and the U.S. Department of the Army in 1986.

Laughlin was an assistant district attorney for Harris County from 1970-1974 and was a partner in a private law practice in West Columbia with Griggs, Griggs and Laughlin. He has been on the Board of Directors of the State Bar of Texas and was president of the



Greg Laughlin

Texas Aggie Bar Association. Involved with numerous community service activities in West Columbia, Laughlin is on the Board of Directors of the West Columbia Chamber of Commerce.

Laughlin is married to Ginger Jones, and they have two children, Mary and Brad.

## CHISPAS plans celebration

*By Debbie Hancock Staff Writer*

The Coalition of Hispanic American Students is celebrating Cinco de Mayo, Mexican Independence Day, with a variety of events this month.

In preparation of the busy month of May, the election of new officers took place this week.

The election results will

be announced at the Second Annual Prairie View A&M University Hispanic Students Banquet which will take place on May 4th, 7 p.m., in the Presidential Suite of Alumni Hall. Membership is not restricted to only Hispanic students, so everyone is urged to come to the fiesta and help welcome the new officers.

Currently, the office of President is held by Jim

Rios. He has been accepted in the TSU Law School in the fall and plans to intern for his brothers' law firm this summer. Jose Luna, vice president, is the first Hispanic to be elected president of the Panhellenic Club and is a member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. CHISPAS wishes them both luck and a special "adios".

### IMPORTANT

#### DEPARTMENT OF STUDENT LIFE HOUSING HOTLINE, FALL 1990 HOUSING PROCEDURES FOR RETURNING STUDENTS

- (1) Secure housing application from area coordinators: MALE - Holley Hall, room 206B; FEMALE - Drew Hall, Room 16A. The applicant must sign for the application.
- (2) Pay \$100.00 room reservation fee at their FISCAL OFFICE: located in the administration Building.
- (3) Return housing application along with the PAID room reservation fee receipt to EVANS HALL, Room 317. (Application will not be accepted without paid receipt).

One of the University's top priorities is your personal safety and security. Fire/Safety/Health regulations prohibit the use of certain items in residence hall rooms.

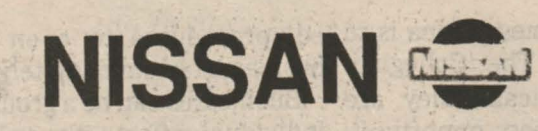
**Below is a list of items NOT allowed in residence hall rooms:**

- Cooking appliances, such as hot plates of any kind, frying pans, toasters, broiler ovens, coffee pots, microwave ovens, etc.
- Electric heaters
- Incense sticks, wicks, candles, or pots, are not allowed to be burned at any time.
- Extension cords - All items must be plugged directly into the wall plug.
- Multiple plugs (electrical power strips) of any kind.

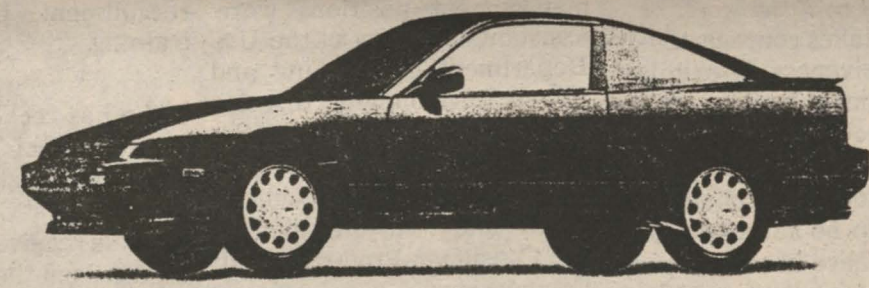
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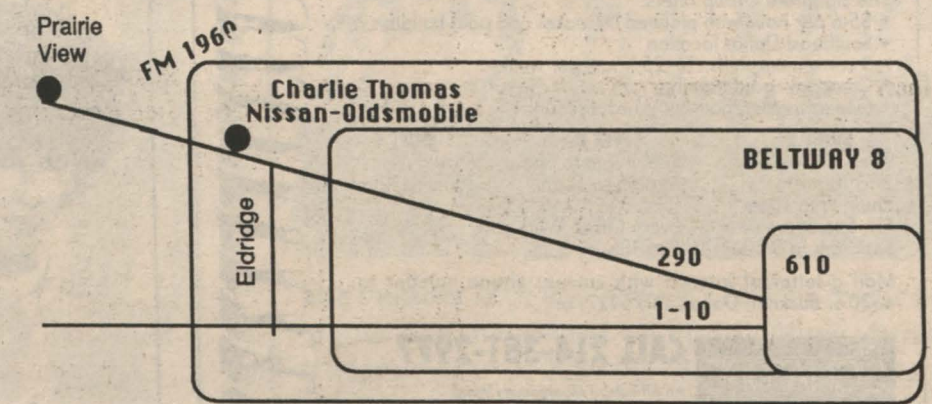
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## NEWSWEEK

# Group of Black republicans on the move

By Debbie Hancock  
Staff Writer

"Now is the time for us, as students, to speak out about our role as black men and women in the business and political arena," stated Vincent Birdwell. A member of The Collegiate Black Republicans, Birdwell says the pur-

pose of this organization is to promote civic education and political action on and off campus.

The Collegiate Black Republicans will receive Democratic and Republican support concerning independent views and ideas that are in the best interest of PVAMU students and black society as a

whole. The main goal of The Collegiate Black Republicans is to help PVAMU students, from all major fields on campus, understand the importance of entrepreneurship.

One aspect of entrepreneurship the Republicans emphasize is the importance of teamwork. Networking with other black professionals in the pol-

itical and business arena is so important to The Collegiate Black Republicans they are offering business opportunities for minority students here at PVAMU.

Students willing to start a business on or off campus are eligible for loans from private investors if their business proposal is approved. Once the business proposal is approv-

ed, procedures to open the business start immediately.

Businesses can be a group or individual effort, it's strictly up to the entrepreneur. The Collegiate Black Republicans request that ethical business plans are adhered to in proposal packages. Birdwell says, "Please take advantage of this business opportunity available to minorities here.

# Newman addresses honors convocation

By Tracie E. Woodson  
Newsweek Editor

Constance Berry Newman addressed the Spring Honors Convocation held at 10 a.m. in the University Fieldhouse on Wednesday.

Newman reminded the students how blessed they are to be in world of change but noted that, "We are faced with a world of problems in which policy-makers are having a difficult time addressing."

"You as students here at Prairie View have been sheltered because when you leave you will realize that there are

people in this world who do not value education, integrity or the importance of excellence."

"The federal government allows us to come in early and make a difference in the private sector," she added, "You should take your expertise and served the world because our lives depend on public service. Unless we can convince you to come into public service we won't solve the problems and government and the nation are in trouble additionally you will not have a society that you are comfortable with."

Newman praised the Baneker Honors College and expounded on the accomplishment of architect Benjamin Baneker. She noted some of the qualities for good leadership and said, "He who has never learned to obey can never be a good commander because to be a good leader he must have been a good follower."

"It also takes courage, tenacity, decisiveness, flexibility, good communication skills, sound decision making, and most of all a sense of humor.

"You should seek challenges in order to be successful and you must have been in a position to test intellect and know that it has been pushed to the limit. People who make the best decisions are those who are flexible."

She closed by saying, "No matter what occupation you are in, communicate well, take risks and consider the points of view of others."

Newman let it be known that her strategy, which helped her move from a position of GS-3, Clerk Typist, to her current position entailed the three H's—homework, hard work and hanging in there.

Newman was sworn in as director of the U.S. Office of Personnel management in June of last year. Among her management positions were: assistant secretary of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, director of VISTA, and president of the Newman and Hermanson Company. She was also commissioner and vice chairman of the Consumer Product Safety Commission.

Newman worked for the Government of Lesotho as a Cooperative Housing Foundation consultant to a committee established for the purpose of advising the Ministry of the Interior regarding the establishment of a housing corporation to receive World

Bank Funding.

Her public career has included work for 12 federal government agencies with four presidential appointments. She has worked in the Personnel Department of the Department of the Interior's Bureau of Land Management, dealing with issues of classification, adverse action appeals, recruitment, placement and training.

She has received an Honorary Doctor of Law from her alma mater, Bates College, and from Amherst College. In addition, she received a B.S. in Law degree from the University of Minnesota Law School. She has received a Secretary of Defense Medal for Outstanding Public Service. Newman is a life member of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and has served on numerous civic boards and committees.



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## SPORTSWEEK

# Baseball team splits with Grambling State

By Johnson Obedi  
Staff Writer

Prairie View managed to play to a 2-2 split with Grambling in SWAC baseball action last weekend.

Prairie View blasted the Tigers 13-4, 12-7 on Friday while dropping 6-12 and 5-4 decision on Saturday. The Panthers extended their record to 10-37-1 overall and 6-18 in the SWAC. Meanwhile, Grambling stood at 19-21 overall and 15-9 in the Southwest Conference.

Vernon Bland collected his

fourth win by pitching a sixth hitter. The Panthers used seven runs in the fourth inning to take an 8-1 commanding lead. Four more runs came in the fifth inning enabling the Panthers to cruise to a 13-4 victory.

Robert Harper had three hits, two RBI's and scored one run to lead the Panther rally. Grambling used three pitchers overall.

Robert Harper and Charles Roberts both came up with a homerun in the third inning to propel PV to a 12-7 victory of the second game double-head-

Reginald Stewart picked up his third win of the season against four losses. The 6 foot senior from Port Arthur pitched six innings allowing six runs.

Stewart, who was named SWAC pitcher of the week last week, gave up one run and three hits through five innings of play. Freshman Yuri Hall came in to stop a Tigers rally in the top of the seventh inning.

Robert Harper was 4-4 at the plate with one double, 1 home run and two RBI's. Aaron Salsman collected three hits to lead the Panthers to one of their best batting performance

this season.

On Saturday, Mohammed Hassan allowed only three runs as Grambling's Tigers snapped a five day losing string by edging the Panthers 6-3. Hassan pitched seven innings allowing five hits, three runs and struck out three batters. Clarence Cloud went the distance in a losing effort for the Panthers.

The Panther rally came up one run short in the bottom of seventh as Grambling scored three runs in the third and two runs in the fourth to take a 5-0 lead. Prairie View added a run in bottom of sixth and three at the bottom of seventh

but came one run short of sending the contest into one extra inning.

Freshman Marcus Ross relieved Yuri Hall in the top of the fourth inning. Hall allowed only two hits, no runs and struck out three batters. Charles Walters picked the win from Grambling.

Overall, both teams played great games with a small crowd of cheerful supporters. When asked about the games, Wilbert Ellis, the Grambling head-coach said his team did not practice enough however, the Panthers "played well as a team with a game plan" on Friday.



The Men's 1989-90 Track and Field team...with little Shy



The Women's 1989-90 Track and Field team...with Coach Barbara Jacket (c)

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## LIFESTYLES

### PVAMU freelance artist paints pictures with her talented toes

By Charisse M. Galloway  
LifeStyles Editor

An innovative style of painting for the 90's has emerged and the artist involved in this rapidly emerging style uses her feet to paint with.

Although most people are used to seeing art that is created with typical art or craft utensils, art has many dimensions and this form is just one of many.

This style of art is called non-traditional / experimental art.

Non-Traditional art is created with tools other than a traditional paint brush and the medium is left entirely up to the artist.

Ann Yvonne Johnson, a junior, from Cheyenne, Wyoming, has developed a style that she feels comfortable with.

Ann started her art career a few years ago, when she enroll-

ed in Bauder Fashion College in Arlington, Texas. At Bauder, she majored in Fashion Merchandising and her minor was modeling.

While at Bauder, Ann received awards such as: Most Talented; Outstanding Accomplishment at Bauder art contest; Most Outstanding Member of Bauder College Modeling Board; and Best Make-up Artist.

Ann then proceeded to attend Prairie View where she is currently pursuing a degree in Merchandising & Design and Advertising Art.

After attending Tarrant County Junior College and Bauder Fashion College, Ann began to do experimental art work, when she discovered her foot method.

"I was tired of realistic painting, so I ventured off into non-traditional and experimental



Ann Johnson

art," stated Ann. Her first foot work was a self-portrait done on loose canvas, in which she drew her face on the canvas and then added color with her feet.

Ann's current focus is on portraits of famous people such as Spike Lee and his sister.

Although Ann has concentrated on her method for one year, she expects to continue with this method through out her college career.

Anne's great admiration for the black designer, Patrick Kelly (who recently died), has inspired Ann to continue to achieve.

In remembrance of Kelly, Ann designed a window display in the Home Economics building, which is located across the street from Banks Hall.

In the future, Ann would like to work with visual merchandising, visual display, photography, and using her feet to paint shirts and sweaters.

Ann simply states, "I like to express myself and show what footworks can do."

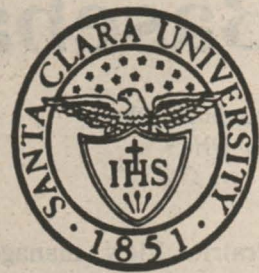
Look for more footwork designs from Ann in the upcoming student art exhibit to be held in the John B. Coleman Library on April 30.

Ann will be featuring her portraits of Spike Lee and his sister, along with various paintings from other students.

Although this style of non-traditional art is not new, it is gaining prominence.

Ann is one woman who is determined to put her foot in the door of this emerging industry and succeed in creating a positive image in the black community.

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- L.O. Evans Hall: Regular Summer School (Female Seniors) June 1 - August 11.
- Suarez Complex: Regular Summer School (males).

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- Alexander Hall: May 15 - July 31
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- Buchanan Hall: May 20 - August 18 (if not needed)
- Fuller Hall: May 15 - August 18
- Holley Hall: May 15 - August 18

## LIFESTYLES

### Cultures learned in foreign language day

By Michelle Johnson  
Viewpoints Editor

Unlike all other days, Wednesday 18,1990 was a special day; it was Foreign Language Day. When students participated in various activities to prove their proficiency in French, German, and Spanish. The day began with a welcome by Dr. June Carter. Dr. Carter then introduced the speaker, which was Dr. Raul Cuero. Dr. Cuero speaks at least three different languages fluently. He encouraged all present to pursue a foreign language to learn more about other cultures. He also stated, "Learning a second language is a step towards success."

There were also awards and acknowledgements given to the various winner in each category, which were: Spelling Bee, Declamation, Extemporaneous Speech, Discription, and the day ended with

singing and instrumentals. Foreign Language Day was a day of realizing what the American experience is all about; learning from one another and fellowshiping in this big

"Melting Pot" we call the United States. Congratulations to all the winners in the different divisions in French, German, and Spanish.

Second year spanish student, Adriane Hoskins said, "Foreign Language Day was an enlightening experience for all; students and teacher both enjoyed themselves.

If one want to be an outstanding individual learn a second language; and life will be more complete. The human experience is all about relating to others.

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### Renounced jazz singer dies after great career

University Release

Sarah Vaughan, one of the most talented and successful jazz singers, died in Los Angeles at the age of 66. Ms. Vaughan was active in the innovative developments in jazz during the "bebop" era with such musicians as Billy Eckstine, Earl Hines, Dizzy Gillespie and Charlie Parker.

Sarah Vaughan was born on March 27, 1924 in Newark, New Jersey. Her father, Asbury Vaughan, was a carpenter and amateur guitarist. Her mother, Ada Vaughan, a laundress, sang in the church choir.

In October 1942 Sarah entered an amateur contest at the Apollo Theatre in New York and won the first prize for her rendition of "Body and Soul." She then went on to be one of the world's greatest jazz singers. She will always be remembered by "It's Magic" and "Broken Hearted Melody."

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# LIFESTYLES

## Obadele lectures on African-Americans

By James Ty Madison  
Staff Writer

Dr. Imari Obadele, an associate professor in the Political Science Department lectured on Afrikan-American reparations in the John B. Coleman Library's Public Events Room on April 18th. Dr. Obadele's concern is that Blacks in America have a right to reparations because of their enslavement for over four hundred years in this country.

Dr. Obadele defined the two functions of reparations under international law. He commented that reparations compensate a wrong. Secondly, reparations restore the injured party back to their original condition as if the injury had not occurred.

Dr. Obadele talked about the present Afrikan American reparations bill in Congress submitted by Rep. John Conyers from Michigan. Like previous reparations bills for Blacks,

Whites for their own reasons support it. He referenced the "40 acres and a mule" legislation during Reconstruction. It was passed by both houses of Congress but was vetoed by Andrew Johnson.

He believes if the present reparations bill is to pass, Afrikan Americans must pressure their Congressmen and the President, now.

The historical use of reparations under international law was Dr. Obadele's next subject. He cited that Jewish reparations from the holocaust were paid by Germany after World War II. Another case is the reparations paid by the U.S. government to Japanese Americans who were placed in concentration camps during World War II.

Next, Dr. Obadele gives examples of New Afrikans

(former slaves) self-determining non-citizenship and statehood in the America. Some chose to go back to Afrika like those on the schooner Amistad led by Paul Coffee.

Others wanted to build their own state with their own land in America. He states that W.E.B. DuBois realized that with land and an education a freed slave could prosper. He cites the alliances between the New Afrikans and Indians, like the Seminoles in Florida, from which developed independent states. As another example the state established by Tunis Campbell on the Sapelo and St. Catherine's islands, off Georgia's coast. However, Dr. Obadele adds, whenever New Afrikan (Blacks) tried to build their own, those involved were jailed by the U.S. government.

Firstly, Dr. Obadele spoke

about slavery and its effects stating most Afrikan Americans cannot claim a specific Afrikan nation or cultural background for several reasons. One, slaves were kidnapped from different Afrikan nations. The crossbreeding of the European and the American Indian into the Afrikan gene pool is another factor, along with the mixed marriages between slaves further removing Afrikan Americans from their cultural origins.

Then, Dr. Obadele related a land issue and the New Afrikan (the emancipated slave or the self-freed slave). The Homestead Act, in which the Indian's land was given to European immigrants to the "New World," was his example. He commented the act by the government did not protect or recognize the New Afrikan's

property, land or possessions. In closing, Dr. Obadele expressed his concerns for Afrikan Americans. He exclaimed, "A 30 million plus strong state. Larger than 50 other Afrikan nations and have no state power over land where you have an army or an administration!"

He expresses, "Everybody in the world will move forward and rearrange the world and you won't have your reparations!"

Dr. Obadele concludes, "Our genius will remove us from our condition. Your ability to think through the colonial education that we so often put upon you. Your ability to think as a people who want once again to add to the intellectual and spiritual patrimony (inheritance) of the world."

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# VIEWPOINTS

## Can you dream at PVU?



### My View

by Kevin Lyons  
Editor-in-Chief

Have you ever had a fantasy about how life would be if everything went right? Sure you have. We fantasize all the time. Perfect dates, perfect mates, and perfect financial rates graze our thoughts more often than not. What's funny is that sometimes, perfect endings to our days sometimes do happen.

But what about how life would be at Prairie View if everything went the way that we wanted it to go. Well, one day while daydreaming in one of my Thursday afternoon classes, this is what I came up with.

After waking up one day at about 8:00, I stepped into the double-door shower, and enjoyed the steamed water that streamed down my body. While getting dressed, I turned on the television... I didn't have to worry about waking anyone because Fuller Hall housed one to a room. I then walked out of my room, met up with a few female friends (who lived across the hall), and made the two-minute trip to Hobart-Taylor for my 10:00 class. After the 30-

minute class came to a close, I went to my job at The Panther. I wasn't there ten minutes before the phone rang. The woman on the other end of the line was from the financial aid office. She said that my overpayment had just come in and I could pick it up in the administration building.

The lines in the building were not too long because they had 10 cashiers working that day, so I hurried in, cashed my \$350 check, and hurried out... just in time for lunch.

For lunch, I decided not to have the regular T-Bone and salad that I have everyday, but instead I settled for the lasagna. I was too full for seconds, and had to pass up the strawberry shortcake... goodness, PV was making me fat!

Well, anyway, after the meal, I went to my 1:00 to 1:30 class, and we took our weekly open-book test in Ms. Harlan's class. After class, I decided to pre-register for my summer classes, but the line was busy so I had to wait two minutes before I could call in my courses.

After registering, I went back to my job at Hilliard Hall, and watched a couple of programs on cable t.v. I then made a phone call to a friend in Jersey, and after the hour-long conversation, I signed out and left work.

While back in my room, waiting for dinner, I made up the waterbed, cleaned the micro-

wave, and washed the walk-in spa. After dinner, me and the fellas sat outside and caught some fresh air. We waved at the girls, (and of course, they happily waved back), laughed at a few stale jokes, and went back to the room for couple of games of dominoes.

After the game, I hooked up the dorm-built apple computers, and did some management homework for about an hour or so. While doing my homework, I turned to CBS, and saw the Panthers on the tube beating the Oklahoma Sooners in a basketball game for their 20th straight victory.

At about 9:00 that night, I finished my homework, and made a few more phone calls to some friends in Washington D.C. I then watched some more cable t.v. programs on the big screen television in my room until the grandfather clock struck 11:30. So then I ironed some clothes, sat in the spa for about 45 minutes, drank a glass of orange juice, and went to bed.

While asleep, I had this dream that I had two roommates, and had to wait in this long line to register for my classes. I also dreamed that Fuller Hall didn't have any cold water when I needed to take a shower, brrrrrr... this isn't a dream, this is reality. Oh well.

## The party's almost over for the half-stepper

By Michelle Johnson  
Viewpoints Editor

The party is over! Unfortunately the party is over for those who have been "kicking it" all this semester. The days of hanging out in front of Alumni Hall during lunch and dinner are coming to an end. Finals are quickly approaching, and the library is gradually become the hangout for students who wish to salvage their grades. Read the story about Too Live Lou!

NOW YOU'VE GOT TO GO HOME WITH A 1.8 . OH NO, MOM'S GOT THE GRADES IN HER HAND . SEE! MOM YOU JUST DON'T UNDERSTAND I'VE GOT DIXLEXIA AND I'M REAL SLOW . SHUT UP! BOY AND CLOSE THAT DOOR.

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HEY! IT'S ALMOST TOO LATE. THE NEXT GRADE WILL DETERMINE YOUR FATE. YOU'VE GOT AN "F" AND THE TEACHER'S TOUGH, NO SCHOLARSHIPS AND FINANCIAL AID IS ROUGH. YOU SHOULD'VE THOUGHT ABOUT IT A MONTH AGO! YOU HAVEN'T STUDIED NOW, YOU'VE GOT TO GO! FINALS ARE HERE AND YOU FAILED THE TEST GOSH! YOU SHOULD HAVE SKIPPED "SPRING FEST" STUDIED BIOLOGY, ALGEBRA, AND OTHER CLASSES YOU HATE

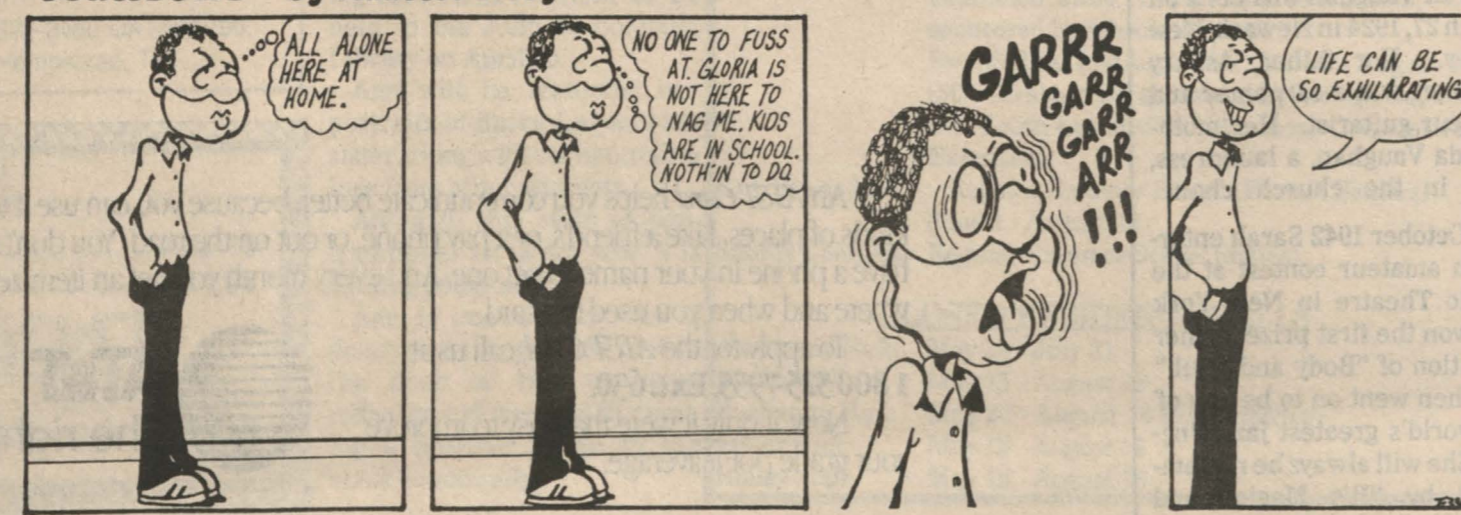
So get to work! There is only two weeks left until Finals begin. Remember school ends May 11, 1990, not June 11. Here are some helpful

hints for studying: Devote at least an hour a day to the subjects that give you the most problem, then when finals come it will only be a review. Set up a study schedule and try to study in groups; it usually helps insubjects such as science and math. Limit your time for goofing off and you will be happy with the results when "D" day comes. Just do the right thang!

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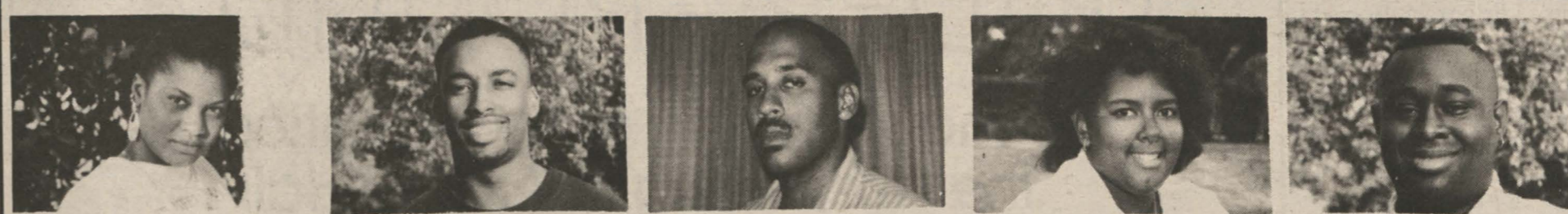
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## Thoughts on the poster rule regarding fire safety

Pictures and Interviews by Cheryl Malone



**Angela Tima, Junior Marketing Major Houston, Texas:** I don't feel that we should take things off the walls. Most of the rooms have Graffiti on them plus much of the paint has been torn off. Blank walls are not very inspirational when you have to look at them all year long.

**Jimmy Chambers Jr. Business Knapolis, N.C.:** Removing posters from the walls deprives students from expressing their creative individualism. It also makes the rooms look drab and dull.

**Dwayne Bennett, Communications/PR Major, Victoria, Tx.:** This is ridiculous. I realize fire codes must be met; however, let's be more realistic—posters don't start fires! Come on, SGA. Where are you and who are you representing? I say we protest!

**Elive C. LLOYD, Economics-Finance Major, Houston, Tx.:** As an R.A. for Drew Hall, I feel that it is necessary the university recognize that this is a home away from home and students should be comfortable in the dorm environment.

**Jonathan Leach P.E. Major, San Antonio Tx.:** I feel that we should be able to have posters in the rooms. Blank walls make the room feel like a prison. Posters will probably be the last thing to start a fire.

## VIEWPOINTS

### -----Letter-to-the-Editor-----

By James E. Franklin  
Guest Editorial

I am writing this so that everyone will understand my concern for the university and the students. There is a lot of deception going on, on the yard. The deception that people think they're doing themselves good, but they are not. There is a rapid widespread of students who are indulging in insobriety and not exercising the proper maintenance of their bodies by abusing their body with the impurity of alcohol and other addictive substances. I see beer bottles, cans, and other containers that are not suppose to be on this campus according to the student handbook page ten, and it states "that alcoholic beverages are prohibited on the university premises." Now since the Residence Hall Book states that these things are prohibited, and I see these things practically daily, something is wrong!

I see inconsistency in our student body, especially in those who complain of the unprofessional mannerism of some of the administrative body. If one were to walk the campus today, you would be surprised at the abundance of evidence of alcoholic beverages.

On a daily basis the campus is trashed most likely by the same people. I wonder, do the offenders of the law realize someone has to clean up after their mess. It costs the university extra money to pay people to clean up after "mature" adults. I believe in the motto "if you mess up you should clean up." I am complaining about this because these offenders leave our campus filthy. I know all the laws and complaining in the world is not going to stop this type of behavior, but please be more discreet and pick up after yourselves and stay off the highways and streets, because if you don't someone's life may be lost. Hopefully, the mother earth can be as beautiful as it was intended to be. I would like to end this with a couple of quotes from the word of God,

the bible. "Know ye not that ye are the temple of God and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you? If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy which ye are. Let no man deceive himself... (I Corinthians 3:16-18 King James Version) and Haven't you yet learned that your body is the home of the Holy Spirit God gave you, and that He lives within you? Your own body does not belong to you. For God has bought you with a great price (the death of his Son). So use every part of your body to give glory back to God; because He owns it." (I Corinthians 6:19,20 Living New Testament).

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