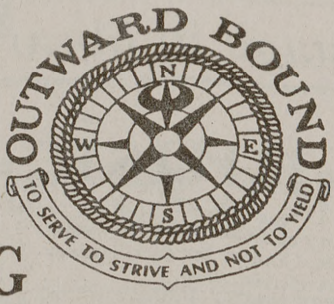

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Award, allocations on agenda at tonight's Senate meeting

by Rebeca Zimmermann
 Battalion Staff
 Student service fee allocations will be voted on tonight at the Student Senate meeting at 7:30 p.m. in 204 Harrington.

The Senate also will present an award to Vice President for Planning Charles H. Samson Jr. The Senate Finance Committee has reviewed budget requests from each of the student services, such as the A.P. Beutel Health Center, the Personal Counseling Service and the MSC Council and Directorate.

The nine student services requested a total of \$3,019,613 for 1982-83. The Finance Committee will recommend approval of a total budget of \$2,863,713.

Six bills will be introduced: — **Revision of the Constitution for the Student Body of Texas A&M** — calls for the Rules and Regulations Committee to recommend changes in the University Constitution. These changes must be approved by the Senate and a majority vote in a student referendum.

— **Dead Week Library Bill** —

requests the Sterling C. Evans Library extend hours during Dead Week, and would give up to \$375 to help fund the extended hours.

— **Electronics Message Center Bill** — recommends support and completion of the MSC Council and Directorate's proposal for an electronic message center.

— **Foreign Language Availability for Engineers** — would allow any modern language course to be substituted as a free elective for engineering students.

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Researcher to speak on natural medicine

The value of home remedies in treatment of illnesses and the influence of folk medicine in modern-day cultures will be discussed at 7:30 tonight in 105 Heldenfels.

Dr. Ralph N. Blomster, head of the Department of Medicinal Chemistry-Pharmacognosy at the University of Maryland

School of Pharmacy, has spent almost 20 years researching natural medicines and evaluating folklore.

In his speech, which will be sponsored by the Texas A&M section of the American Chemical Society, Blomster will discuss what folk medicine is, why it exists and what value it has.

Although scientific investigations have seemingly proven folklore remedies to be ineffective, Blomster said, those conclusions are not necessarily accurate. He suggests including various forms of quackery, magic, and so-called Indian remedies into scientific studies based on results.

Brown-baggers to talk about communications

Cross-cultural communications will be discussed Thursday during a brown bag seminar from noon to 1:30 p.m. in 251 Bizzel Hall West.

The seminar, sponsored by the International Programs Office, will feature the film "Without Words."

Dr. Edna L. Koenig, special program coordinator of the Office will present the program.

The seminar, designed to provide information concerning the need for resources and research in international areas, is part of the Title XII Strengthening Grant Program.

Other planned programs include a seminar on the American Library within the Sterling C. Evans Library. The bimonthly seminars are open to all faculty, staff and students.

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