Mentors offer advice, counseling to students

by Hope E. Paasch

Battalion Staff mentor, as defined by Webster, is a wise and faithful counselor. More than 200 faculand staff members have volunteered to serve in this capacity at Texas A&M Univer-

But, the problem facing Dr. Shirley Black, head of the mentors program at Texas A&M, is that mentors are ready and waiting, but students don't know they are there.

Since spring 1980, when the program was started at the University, mentors have offered to help students deal with everything from roommate conflicts

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to financial difficulty to academic disaster. But, Black said, many students still don't know the program, she said. about the program.

Although the mentor program is not a substitution for de-partmental advisers, the Academic Counseling Service or the Personal Counseling Service, mentors still offer the student valuable aid, she said.

Mentors have a handbook of can point the student in the right said. direction; however, the majority of the students who come to mentors are just looking for someone to talk to, Black said.

Since mentors can't help students until they are contacted,

Some of the best suggestions for improving the program have come from students, she said.

One student suggested using a logo on the office doors of men-tors so that students could readily identify them.

All mentors are urged to make announcements in their available student services and classes about the program, Black

Faculty response has been very positive and encouraging, Black said. Many professors are concerned about students and willing to help them in any way they can. They view the mentor program as their opportunity to

get involved, she said.
One professor, Black said, comes to campus every day at 5 a.m. and stays until 5 p.m. so he can be available for students. Another professor noticed a large number of students on campus during the weekends, so he decided to start coming to his office every weekend.

The Junior Honor Society has helped tremendously in reaching students, Black said. Members handle much of the on-campus distribution of post-ers and other information and also has helped gather student

Off Campus Aggies also helps the program by posting signs and posters at apartment com-plexes and shuttle bus stops, she

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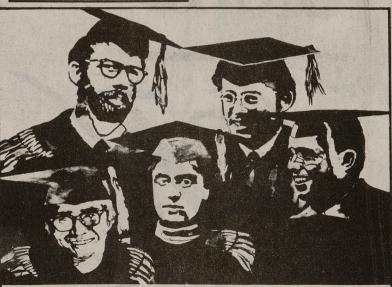
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