

## Graduate students wanted

The Gifted and Talented Institute is accepting applications from graduate students who want to spend two weeks on Galveston Island instructing gifted junior and senior high school students.

The program has three objectives:

- To provide educational

services and opportunities for school-age youth who show promise in outstanding academic and creative achievements.

- To offer training to graduate students interested in the study of the education of gifted and talented youth.

- To conduct research on

educational strategies for the gifted and talented.

The six courses offered to the youth are architecture, marine biology, micro-computing, ocean geology, space science and veterinary medicine.

Applications are available in 704 Harrington Tower.

## Local police giving tickets

by Patti Schwierke

Although Texas Attorney General Jim Mattox issued a ruling which stated drivers cannot be ticketed for failing to show proof of insurance, local law enforcement officials are still issuing tickets for the offense. "We are working (ticketing people without proof of insurance in their car) just like a driver's license violation," said Officer Ricardo Ledesma of the Bryan police department. "If they don't have proof of financial liability in their car when we stop them, we give them a ticket. They then can go before the judge and prove that they have insurance, and the judge decides what to do."

The first ticket for not having proof of insurance within a car usually results in a fine of \$75. The fine for the second offense

is \$200. Ledesma said the law states that an owner and/or operator has to be able to show evidence of financial responsibility.

A driver is required to furnish information that he has financial coverage. If he doesn't, he must go to court and prove to the judge that he has coverage, Ledesma said.

Dena Lahendro, with Bryan police, said that the driver's name has been changed from "no proof of liability" to "the driver failed to show maintained financial responsibility."

Sgt. Fred Forsthoff of the Department of Public Safety said the DPS also is ticketing people for not having liability insurance. If a person cannot show proof of insurance to an officer, they must prove it to the judge, he said.

## Group focuses on visual arts

by Maureen Carmody

The MSC Arts Committee plans to introduce a new program for the fall semester and eliminate all aspects of their current program except for visual arts.

Theresa Chiang, committee adviser, said that starting next year the group will sponsor only visual arts. The committee has been sponsoring a number of other types of arts, including modern dance, Shakespearean plays and jazz concerts.

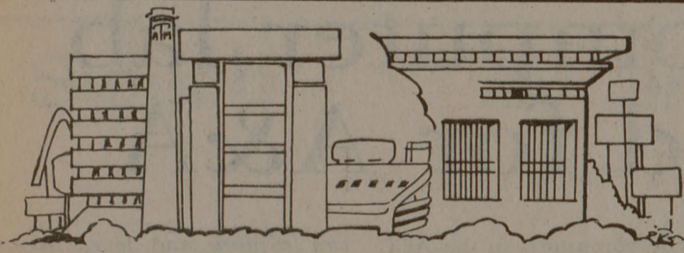
"There are just so many parts of the arts program, and we are so diversified," Chiang said. "I

don't think the Arts Committee is being as effective as it could be."

The other arts won't be entirely lost.

"There are several other organizations that take up jazz and dance shows (the MSC Committee will no longer sponsor), such as Opera and the Performing Arts Society and the Hall," she said.

Chiang said the program will be more beneficial to students if the Arts Committee can concentrate on visual arts. The committee will plan a variety of painting and pottery shows and gallery selection programs for next year, she said.



## Around town

### Local prizewinner returns from trip

Jim Fendley of Bryan has just returned from Hawaii on a week-long trip for two that he won from Whataburger during the Tillis Country Tour Goes Hawaiian sweepstakes.

During his trip to Hawaii, Fendley spent eight days at the Hilton Hawaiian Village on Waikiki Beach and saw Mel Tillis in concert on the last stop of the Tillis Country Tour. On November 4, Tillis had performed at Graham Central Station in Bryan as part of this tour.

To win this trip, Fendley registered at one of the two Whataburger restaurants in the Bryan/College Station area.

### Issue to be debated here Tuesday

Texas A&M will host the Texas A&M Forum Debate Tuesday at 7 p.m. in Room 212 MSC.

Ruby Daniels, a senior journalism major from San Antonio will affirm and Frank Knickerbocker, a senior computer science major from Dallas will deal with the proposition "Resolved: That compulsory national service for all U.S. citizens is desirable."

The Texas A&M Forum is a monthly, audience participation debate on topics of current interest. The debate begins with two seven minute speeches, one supporting and one negating the proposition. Afterwards, the audience offers comments, questions and arguments.

Audience members are seated facing each other on either the "pro" side or the "con" side. At any time during the debate, if a participant changes his mind, he may cross over and sit with the other side. At the end of the hour, the votes are counted and a decision is reached.

Speakers for the initial seven minute speeches are selected at tryouts one week in advance of the Forum.

The next Texas A&M Forum will be held March 9 at 7 p.m. in Room 601 Rudder. The topic will be announced on Feb. 26, and tryouts will be March 2. If you are interested in participating in the tryouts, simply sign up on the bulletin board outside 212B in the Academic and Agency Building and prepare a seven minute speech on either side of the question.

### Marathon entry deadline approaches

Runners and walkers of all ages prepare yourself for another race to benefit the American Heart Association. The Run is scheduled for 8 a.m. Feb. 19.

The starting line for the Run for Your Life 6.2 Mile Run will be Post Oak Mall. The run is co-sponsored by Post Oak Mall and the College Station Parks and Recreation Department.

The entry fee is \$6 if received by 5 p.m. Feb. 16, \$7 thereafter. Entry forms are available at the Heart Association, College Station Parks and Recreation Office, Post Oak Mall and at local sporting goods stores.

For more information call the Heart Association at 693-6454 or the College Station Parks and Recreation Department at 693-PARD.

### Softball meeting planned for Feb. 8

The College Station Parks and Recreation Department will hold an organizational meeting on Feb. 8 for those interested in playing softball in College Station.

The meeting will be held at City Hall beginning at 6 p.m. A pre-season tournament will begin Feb. 28. Co-Rec begins March 28 and the men's and women's league begins April 18.

For further information contact the College Station Parks and Recreation Department at 693-PARD.

### MSC Travel to sponsor programs

The MSC Travel Committee in conjunction with the Study Abroad Office is presenting the Council on International Educational Exchange discussing Overseas Opportunities. The program is planned for 7 p.m. Feb. 8 in Room 501 Rudder.

On Feb. 9, MSC Travel is sponsoring a "Europe on Your Own" seminar at 7 p.m. in Room 401 Rudder. The goal of the workshop is to inform students of helpful hints about traveling in Europe.

### Washington D.C. trip planned

The MSC Political Forum is sponsoring a trip to Washington D.C. on March 13-19. The total cost is \$525, and a deposit of \$200 is required by Feb. 9. The trip is open to everyone, but space is limited to 30 people. To make a reservation or put down a deposit, come by Room 216 MSC or call 845-1515.

### MSC committee to sponsor ski trip

The MSC Travel Committee is sponsoring a ski trip to Crested Butte, Colorado over spring break.

The trip will be from March 11-19 and will cost \$349. That covers five days and six nights.

To sign up for the trip come by Room 216 MSC or call 845-1515.

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