

Program helps all majors

# Effective writing stressed

by Gwendolyn Hattaway

**Battalion Reporter**  
Students who want to develop their communication skills can enroll in a writing specialization program through the English department.  
"It's something like a minor in writing," Dr. David H. Stewart, head of the English department, said.  
The program consists of six classes designed to help students of any major write and speak effectively. The program is not a part of any degree plan, but a

certificate is awarded for the extra 18 hours. The student must make at least a B in every class, Stewart said.  
The certificate looks good to prospective employers, he said. "You never know in what way it will help a student," he said. "Most students mention it right along with their diploma on their transcript because it sounds better when asking for a job."  
The six courses are specified by the English department and include four core courses and two satellite courses, totaling 18

hours. The four core courses are:  
•English 210: Argumentation and Composition — seeing the logic in what you read and using logic in what you write.  
•English 220: Technical Editing and Writing — editing the raw materials of business and industry reports into final form for publication.  
•English 301: Technical Writing — writing business letters, technical proposals and business and industrial reports.  
•Speech Communication 404: Technical Speaking and Speech Writing — writing, de-

veloping and delivering technical material through speeches.  
The two satellite courses are related to the student's major but are not required to be courses from the English department. However, Stewart said, the courses must be approved through the department. A significant portion of the satellite course grade must be based on writing, he said.  
Writing specialization advisers Drs. Ellen McDaniel, Gina Burchard and Donald Dickson can be contacted for more information on the program.

## Area woman starts modeling agency

by Jill Slayman

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"Start a modeling agency here," a friend jokingly suggested. But instead of laughing, Joni Hennigan got to work and created the J. GHAN Model Connection.  
J. GHAN Model Connection is now available in College Station for men and women with prior modeling experience as well as persons with no experience who would like to try it.  
While Hennigan can't guarantee jobs for the models through J. GHAN, she does provide the models to merchants for fashion shows and advertisements. That's why she calls the business a connection rather than an agency. The merchants cover the charges of the shows, advertisements and the models.  
Basically, J. GHAN is a hobby for Hennigan since her fees only cover her costs.  
Hennigan has provided mod-

els for fashion shows sponsored by Dillard's, Department Store and Windsport International. She will be providing models and pictures for a new hot-tub business and is discussing plans for a photo lay-out with Dillard's.  
Hennigan says that five businesses are waiting for her to find models for fashion shows of their own.  
With the connection, Hennigan says, she wants to give people the opportunity to become models.  
Hennigan says models are too stereotyped and that it isn't necessary to be tall and thin.  
"Everybody has something to offer," she says. "I want to give the others a chance."  
J. GHAN models will be featured in areas such as hair, eye, hand, and fashion, Hennigan says. In this way, someone who is overweight, but has pretty hair or eyes, can be used.

Hennigan, a full-time employee at Rudder Information Center, grew up in College Station with a strong photography background. Her mother is a wedding photographer, and her father, a Texas A&M professor, is an amateur photographer.



Reflecting

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Julie Mather, a sophomore business analysis major from McAllen, takes a

break Monday at a Memorial Stadium window.

## Whispered 'help' into phone foils jewelry store thieves

**United Press International**  
**HOUSTON** — A jewelry store owner who was being robbed was able to whisper "help, help, help" into the telephone to signal that he needed police immediately.

It worked. By the time a gunman and his partner cleaned out Gabbert's Jewelry Store's cash register and safe Tuesday and were ready to flee, Montgomery County Sheriff's deputies were waiting for the pair.

"I whispered, 'Help! Help! Help!'" but she didn't call first time. She kept on Gabbert, 40, said. "I paused, I again said, 'Help! Help!'"

Bob Gabbert said when the phone rang in his store during the robbery, he knew it was his only chance to sneak a message past the robbers. The caller was his daughter-in-law Kathy Butler, 22, who Gabbert said is more of a talker than a listener.

This time Butler Gabbert was in trouble. "Is something wrong being robbed?" she asked. "Yes, ma'am," Gabbert replied sternly and hung

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