

## Around town

### Softball league to organize for '84

The City of College Station will have an organizational meeting for its 1984 Adult Softball Program Tuesday at the College Station Community Center at 6 p.m. The entire softball program will be discussed. All those interested are invited to attend the meeting.

The softball program will begin with a pre-season tournament Feb. 27 through Mar. 22. Registration for the tournament will be Feb. 15-22. The Spring softball season will begin March 26 with registration March 5-9. For more information contact the Parks and Recreation Office at 764-3773.

### Tickets on sale for Star Trek program

Tickets are now on sale for "The Star Trek Experience" Feb. 18 at 7:30 p.m. in Rudder Auditorium. Gene Roddenberry, creator and producer of Star Trek, will present the program. The program will be Roddenberry's first public appearance in Texas in several years. Tickets are reserved seating only. One ticket per ID.

### Defensive driving to be taught

The Brazos Valley Safety Agency will conduct a defensive driving course tonight and Tuesday at the Ramada Inn. The eight-hour course will be from 6 to 10 p.m. both evenings.

The course will qualify the student to dismiss a minor traffic citation and it also will qualify the student for a 10 percent discount on automobile insurance. Registration begins at 5 p.m. at the Ramada Inn, but those interested are advised to pre-register by calling 693-8178. Cost for the class is \$20.

### Pell Grant deadline approaching

Undergraduate students are reminded that March 15 is the deadline set by the Department of Education as the last date a Federal Student Aid application can be accepted for processing for the 1983-84 academic year. The application must arrive at the Federal Student Aids Programs Office, P.O. Box 92831, Los Angeles, CA, 90009-2496 on or before March 15 to be processed for the 1983-84 year.

### Science students must take exam

Any junior or senior in the College of Science who has not previously taken the English Proficiency Examination should plan to take the test this semester unless they have completed English 301 with a minimum grade of C. Students in the College of Science are required to pass English 301 or the test in order to qualify as a degree candidate in the College of Science.

The English Proficiency Exam will be administered by the English Department. Students in Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics and Physics Departments should register for the exam in 151 or 152 Blocker before March 2.

To submit an item for this column, come by The Battalion office in 216 Reed McDonald.

## First airplane inventor gets criticism, not credit

### United Press International

DALLAS — An aviation pioneer who missed the chance of claiming his rightful place in history was named Bonehead of the Year for getting off the ground in an aircraft 38 years before the Wright Brothers.

Accepting the award Friday from the Bonehead Club of Dallas was Blanco County Sheriff Sherman L. Brodbeck, the recipient's great-grandson.

Club spokesman Brad Angers said news accounts from San Antonio indicated that on Aug. 7, 1865, Jacob Brodbeck brought his spring-powered contraption to a meadow for a demonstration.

"He pulled a lever, the giant spring began powering the two counter-rotating propellers, and the airship moved forward," Bonehead Director Jim Davenport said. "The plane arose, and leveled off at treetop level."

# Aggies getting politically involved

By KARI FLUEGEL  
Reporter

Kissing babies, shaking hands and slapping backs. From the outside looking in, political campaigning seems to involve little more than those stereotypes. But behind the campaign scenes, there are people organizing the hand shaking, finding the backs to slap and publicizing the baby kissing. They also answer phone calls, distribute pamphlets, lick stamps for campaign letters, and run endless errands.

Many of the workers in local campaigns this year belong to groups such as the College Republicans of A&M and the Young Democrats at A&M.

Mark Stubbs, president of the Aggie Democrats, as they are informally known, says the organization is small — 17 members — but he expects it to grow.

Stubbs says the Aggie Democrats plan to help in the local elections by registering students, putting up campaign signs, distributing pamphlets, driving voters to the polls and watching the polls.

"We try to have fun doing it," Stubbs says.

The group also plans to sponsor a "Meet the Candidates Night" before the May primary and is looking into the possibility of registering high school seniors who are eligible to vote. The group also may run advertisements to counter Republican ads.

"As a club, we don't support individual candidates, but we do encourage members to get in touch with candidates and help them," Stubbs says.

Aggie Democrats, as an organization, cannot support a candidate until after the primaries.

"We do work with the state and national candidate organizations, but we typically interact with local candidates," he says. "We support local people a lot because these are the people you can interact with. It's hard to interact with Walter Mondale."

Stubbs first became involved with politics when Jack Teague ran against Phil Gramm in the 1982 primary for the 6th Congressional District seat.

"I worked with several local races, and then it just snowballed," he says.

Stubbs helps with campaigns, not because he thinks politics is fun, but because he is philosophically committed to the Democratic beliefs.

"It is a way for me to exercise a right I have and shape society by my values by electing candidates with similar values," Stubbs says. "I'm basically a progressive."

On the other side of the political fence, the College Republicans of Texas A&M is part of the larger Texas College Republican Federation.

The group has about 300 members, but is always growing, president Mike Lavesphere says.

"We hope to reach 500 by the end of the semester," he says "then we will be the largest College Republican group in Texas."

He is confident that will happen because of the political makeup of the A&M student body.

"We are kind of at a home field advantage, since most of the students on campus seem to be conservative or Republican," he says.

Besides the usual campaign activities, the group is planning

to sponsor a seminar to teach students the ins and outs of campaigning through a campaign training seminar. Lavesphere also says that the group is lobbying the county commissioners to put a ballot box on campus.

"We are trying to educate students and teach them how to participate and get their views represented," he says. "We are trying to explain the Republi-

can views on campus. We try to educate students on the beliefs and actions of the Republican Party."

As with the Aggie Democrats, the College Republicans cannot support a candidate until after the primary elections.

"Right now we are keying in on working hard on voter registration for the March 10 election," Lavesphere says.

## Cheese, butter will be given away in B/CS

By MELINDA L. HANSEN  
Reporter

Free cheese and butter will be distributed Wednesday and Thursday at the Lincoln Center on Eleanor Street by the Brazos Valley Community Action Agency from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Eligibility guidelines must be met in order to receive the goods.

More than 350 families in the Bryan-College Station area took home a cheese block on the Jan. 11 distribution date. Seventy-two cases were supplied by the federal government as compared to 80 cases ordered for the December 1983 distribution.

Susan Dashner, program supervisor of the College Station Parks and Recreation Department who was in charge of the distribution, said an estimate is used to order the six-block cases based on the previous month's distribution figures. Most families receive one five-pound block, but families of eight or more members receive two.

To qualify for the free cheese, low income families are required to fill out application forms. A family's income is determined by the total amount earned by all family members.

Families who receive food stamps, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Aid to Families with Dependent Children

(AFDC), or Medicaid are eligible for the free cheese. All information given on the forms is confidential.

The government-supplied cheese has been distributed for a number of years in the Brazos Valley. Local churches and county officials used to handle the distribution, said Betty Steelman of the Community Action Agency. Later, new guidelines were set and the City of College Station contracted with the Community Action Agency to handle the distribution, she said.

**AUTO INSURANCE FOR AGGIES**  
Call: George Webb  
Farmers Insurance Group  
3400 S. College 823 8051

**RASCAL'S**

Phone 764-1110  
Near Kroger & TG&Y  
In Parkway Square

**-Happy Hour-  
Beer \$1.50/pitcher  
Everyday 4-7**

**NEW, FAST  
ON-CAMPUS  
DELIVERY**

Hours: 11-2,5-9 Weekdays  
12-9 weekend

**1 free 10 oz. drink  
with a \$3.00 order  
good thru 3/3/84**  
(For Delivery Only)

Fajitas	\$3.29
Chicken Fried Steak	\$3.29
Fried Shrimp	\$4.95
Chicken Basket	\$3.29
Rib-Eye Steak	\$4.95

**\$1.25 pitcher with  
above items**  
(In-store only)

-COUPON-

**QUICK AS A FLASH**

**Sweet Heart Special**  
the perfect valentine gift

**\$2 off** portrait package  
View your portrait proofs 1 hour  
after your sitting  
&  
Receive your Portrait Package the  
next day  
**PROOFS in 1 hour- overnight service!**

Manor East  
Mall(only)

NO USE  
Kodak PAPER  
for a Good Look

<p><b>WHOLE CHICKEN</b> <b>\$4.44</b> 8 pieces of chicken and 8 rolls. Offer good at all participating Tinsley's Chicken 'n Rolls.</p> <p>1905 Texas Ave. 693-1669 705 N. Texas Ave. 822-2819 512 Villa Maria Rd. 822-5277</p> <p>Coupon expires: 2/20/84</p> <p><b>Tinsley's</b> Chicken 'n rolls</p>	<p><b>CHICK 'N SNACK</b> <b>\$1.44</b> 2 pieces of chicken, 1 roll and 1 vegetable. Regularly \$2.13 Offer good at all participating Tinsley's Chicken 'n Rolls.</p> <p>1905 Texas Ave. 693-1669 705 N. Texas Ave. 822-2819 512 Villa Maria Rd. 822-5277</p> <p>Coupon expires: 2/20/84</p> <p><b>Tinsley's</b> Chicken 'n rolls</p>
--	--



**GIVE YOUR MEALS  
A BIG LIFT.**

With Tinsley's light 'n' crispy chicken, fresh-baked rolls, and scrumptious side orders like potato salad, cole slaw, french fries and corn-on-the-cob, you're all set to serve up an easy feast.

**Tinsley's**  
Chicken 'n rolls

**Dine  
With Your  
Valentine**

Tuesday, February 14, 1984

<p><b>For Her</b> 6 Oz. Filet Mignon, Baked Potato, Salad</p>	<p><b>For Him</b> 7 Oz. Rib-Eye, Baked Potato, Salad</p>
---	--

**\$10<sup>00</sup>** All Day Long

Strawberryritas & Margaritas

**\$1.25** All Day Long

**HOFFBRAU**

**steaks**

"Great Steaks And More"

Monday - Saturday 11 a.m. - 10 p.m. Sunday 11:30 a.m. - 10 p.m.  
317 South College in the Skaggs Center, 260-9172