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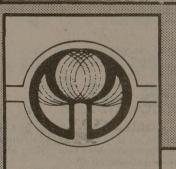
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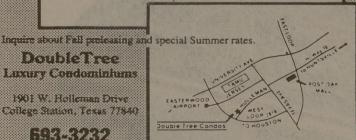
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Symposium speakers square off

## Senators rap student apathy

By SANDRA SUTPHEN

"If Student Government just packed up and went home, would any of you care?" asked Brian Hay, senator from Texas A&M's College of Agriculture, at Sully's Symposium Wednesday

Hay and Speaker Pro Tem Eric Thode, who also spoke at the symposium, did not agree on much, but they both expressed concern over the apathy of the student body concerning Student Government

Thode said that even with all the controversies at Texas A&M, students do not get out and try to change things. He said there is only so much that government can do without help from the student body.

"You can't change from without, you have to change from within," he

Hay, who calls himself a liberal Democrat, said much of what is done by Student Government could be done without it, but Student Government does have its place as a forum for people to express their

ideas.
"We all have a point of view and we should express it," he said.

Hay said he thought students should have a voting member on the Board of Regents. He said that since the regents run the University, students should have a say in the decisions that affect them.

When asked about the senate votes on controversial issues such as Gay Student Services and women in the Aggie Band, Thode said that while the senators try to vote the interest of their constituency, they can only guess what is in the best interest of the students.

Hay, on the other hand, said his job is to represent not only his constituents but the whole campus. He said students feel a certain way about an issue because they do not know all

Hay said that after hearing all of the views expressed in the senate meetings, he decides how he will vote on an issue.

"For someone to vote against something without knowing the background — that is wrong," he said. "If people go into a senate meeting with their minds already made up on an issue, we should just put computer terminals in the dorms and let people vote from the-



Brian Hay, agriculture senator, speaks at Sully's Symposium while Jim Cleary (left) and Eric Thode standby.

## Students spend 'Days of Our Lives' together

By TAMARA BELL Staff Writer

Every weekday at noon, Kevin Erck can be found in the Browsing Library in the Memorial Student Center watching Bo and Hope try to keep their elopement a secret from the family, Marlena cope with being a recent widow and new mother of twins, and Peter worry about

whether the woman found dead in the river is really his wife. No, Erck isn't eavesdropping on students' private conversations. He is one of a small group that gathers in the library's television room to watch the daytime drama, "Days of Our Lives.

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"I became interested in 'The Days' in the sixth grade," Erck said. "My mom got me hooked on it. During the summer I watch it with her.'

Although not all viewers of "soaps" can rearrange class schedules for their favorite show, some students have managed to leave at least two days open to watch their

Ann Jones, a devoted "Days of Our Lives" fan, said that because she has classes during the show, she records it so she doesn't miss the end-ing of a storyline she's followed. As a freshman at Purdue, Audrey

Kolin planned her life around "All My Children." As a junior at Texas A&M, Kolin continues to plan her

schedule around the daytime drama.

"The show is suspenseful," Kolin said. "I want to see what happens to these people of Pine Valley. Although the things that Erica Kane gets away with could never really happen, it fascinates me to see her

'Some shows you just have to laugh at but I continue to watch just to see if what I hope will happen,

No daytime drama could exist without problems for the characters to overcomé. A character's problems are usually overdramatized, unrealistic and humorous.

Terri Richards, who watches "General Hospital," said some situations

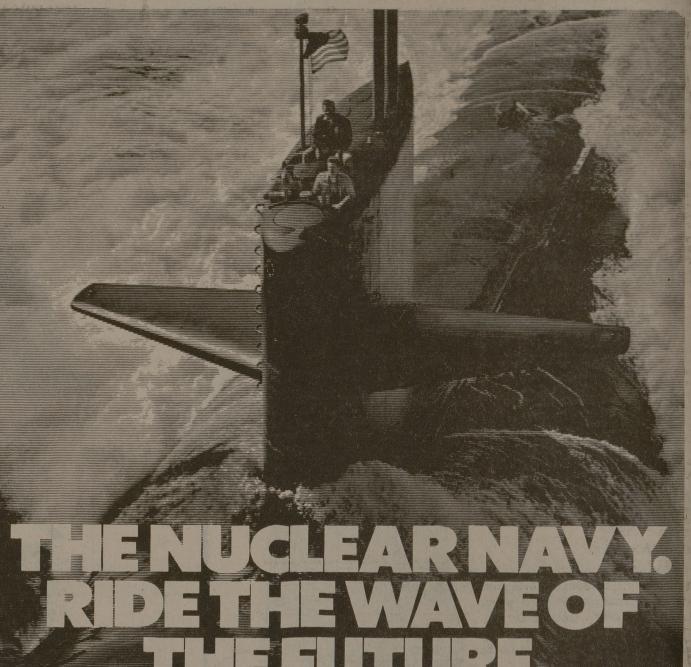
are too bizzare to be true. However concentrating on the character problems makes her problems see small in comparison.

Because of the amount of the some students spend togethe watching a show, friendships between the students evolve.

Amy Cox watches "Days of 0a lines", with Fack and Lore The students.

Lives" with Erck and Jones. The didn't know one another before the came to the library. Now they are friends.

"Between commercials you ta about the show and what you would do if you were in a character's situa tion," Cox said. "You can find out lot about a person just from this on common bond."



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