

In Advance

U.S. Representative Joe Barton to hold Brazos County meeting

Area residents are invited to a town meeting with U.S. Rep. Joe Barton tonight at 7:30 at the College Station Community Center, 1300 Jersey St. This is the first town meeting in Brazos County.

Barton will inform his audience of his activities in Congress, and will discuss any problems that area residents may be having with federal agencies.

Among Barton's topics will be

his thoughts on methods for reducing the federal deficit and proposed cuts in the federal budget, including recommendations to eliminate funding for the Soil Conservation Service.

Barton also will discuss legislation he is co-sponsoring to repeal new Internal Revenue Service regulations requiring extensive record keeping on the use of vehicles by businesses.

"These town meetings are an opportunity for local residents to meet face-to-face with me, ask questions, share an idea with me or learn more about my views," Barton said in a press release. "I hope area residents will make an effort to attend."

The meeting Wednesday will be one of 14 meetings in the 6th Congressional District this week.

A&M Liberal Arts Forum to sponsor seminar with conservative topic

By PAM COLEMAN
Reporter

Webster defines conservatism as "opposition to change," but what is the meaning of conservatism in a time of change?

This question will be the topic of a symposium sponsored by the Liberal Arts Forum, the College of Liberal Arts and the Office of Strategic Technology on Thursday and Friday.

Dr. Al Schaffer, a sociology professor at Texas A&M and a member of the newly formed Liberal Arts Forum, says time will be allotted for audience participation.

People who have taken clear stands on conservatism or liberalism in articles and books were selected to participate in the symposium, Schaffer says.

Discussions will be spontaneous and will be based on audience reaction, he says.

The first segment of the forum, "Liberalism and Conservatism in Our Time," will Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in 209 Harrington.

Jerry C. Gaston, head of the department of sociology at A&M, will moderate the discussion between Allen J. Matusow of Rice University and John E. Schwarz of the University of Arizona.

Matusow is the author of "The Unraveling of America: A History of Liberalism in the 1960s."

He is also the author of several other articles dealing with the Truman administration, the civil rights movement and the career of Joe McCarthy.

Schwarz is a political scientist who wrote "America's Hidden Success: A Reassessment of Twenty Years of Public Policy."

Matusow disagrees with the current social programs while Schwarz takes the opposite stand, Schaffer says.

The second part of the symposium will be Friday at 9 a.m. in 308 Rudder. Larry D. Hill, a historian at A&M, will moderate the discussion, "The Conservative

Mind in America."

Participants will be Robert A. Calvert, an A&M historian who has written articles about agriculture and radicalism in the Gilded Age, Lino A. Graglia, a law professor from the University of Texas, and Robert M. Crunden, a historian from UT.

The final discussion, "Is the Future Conservatism?" will be Friday at 2 p.m. in 308 Rudder.

William P. Snyder, a political scientist at A&M, will moderate the talk between three Texas professors.

David B. Hill, an A&M political scientist, Morgan O. Reynolds, an A&M economist and Norval D. Glenn, a sociology professor from UT, will try to predict the state conservatism during the next few years, Schaffer says.

This weekend's symposium is the first sponsored by the Liberal Arts Forum, an informal faculty group interested in promoting dialogue in the liberal arts area.

SG to be topic of debate tonight

By SHERRIE COUCH
Reporter

Do students really care about Student Government?

The Political Science Society and Pi Sigma Alpha will hold a panel discussion about the role of Student Government today at 8:30 p.m. in 601 Rudder.

"If students really care about Student Government, we hope this debate will help determine what the role of Student Government is," said Mike Northrup, president of Pi Sigma Alpha. Pi Sigma Alpha is the Political Science Honor Society.

The purpose of the panel discussion is to identify problems in Student Government and to determine if Student Government is

doing the job it has set out to do, Northrup said.

"If Student Government is doing its job, we want to inform students and help them understand what it's doing," Northrup said. "If not, then we want to help Student Government learn how (its) problems can be solved. Maybe a change in the constitution would help."

Panel members will include Dr. John Koldus, vice president for student services; Murray Milford, Faculty Senate speaker; David Alders, 1984-85 student body president; Diane Baumbach, 1984-85 Student Senate speaker; Pat Wood, 1984-85 MSC council president; Ed Cassavoy, staff columnist for The Battalion; Wayne

Roberts, 1984-85 Student Government vice president for student services; and David Ellis, president of SWAMP.

Proposed issues for the discussion include the role of the press, the power of Student Government, student elections, student apathy and representation by student leaders.

Other issues may include election controversies, Northrup said. Another topic may include whether the names of student body election candidates should be released before the filing deadline.

Students are encouraged to participate, Northrup said. Questions and suggestions from the audience are welcome.

SG to change hands today

The reins of Texas A&M University's Student Government will be turned over to the newly-elected officers of the Student Senate at the organization's meeting at 7:30 p.m. today in 204 Harrington.

"This will just be an informational meeting," said student

body President-elect Sean Royall.

At the top of the agenda is a welcome to the new Senate by Royall.

In addition, next year's executive vice presidents will address the senators and outline goals for the coming year.

Senators also are expected to

discuss the April 24 Senate elections for speaker of the house and speaker pro tem.

Procedures for nominating candidates will be presented and the election process will be discussed.

No other business is scheduled.

Agricultural talks to be this week

By CANDI MAXWELL
Reporter

The Texas Agricultural Extension Service and the Agricultural Economics Club will sponsor a program this week aimed at farmers and ranchers who are thinking of expanding their businesses.

"Teaming Up In Agriculture" is scheduled from 1:15 p.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday and from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday in 308 Rudder.

Dr. Wayne Hayenga, an econo-

mist with the extension service and an attorney, and three other speakers will discuss partner compatibility, personal goals, organizing the business for a partner, financing the expansion, and income and inheritance taxes.

Speakers include Dr. Ronald Kay, professor of farm and ranch management; Dr. John Hopkins, a Stiles professor of agricultural finance; and Dr. Thomas Knight, an economist with the extension service.

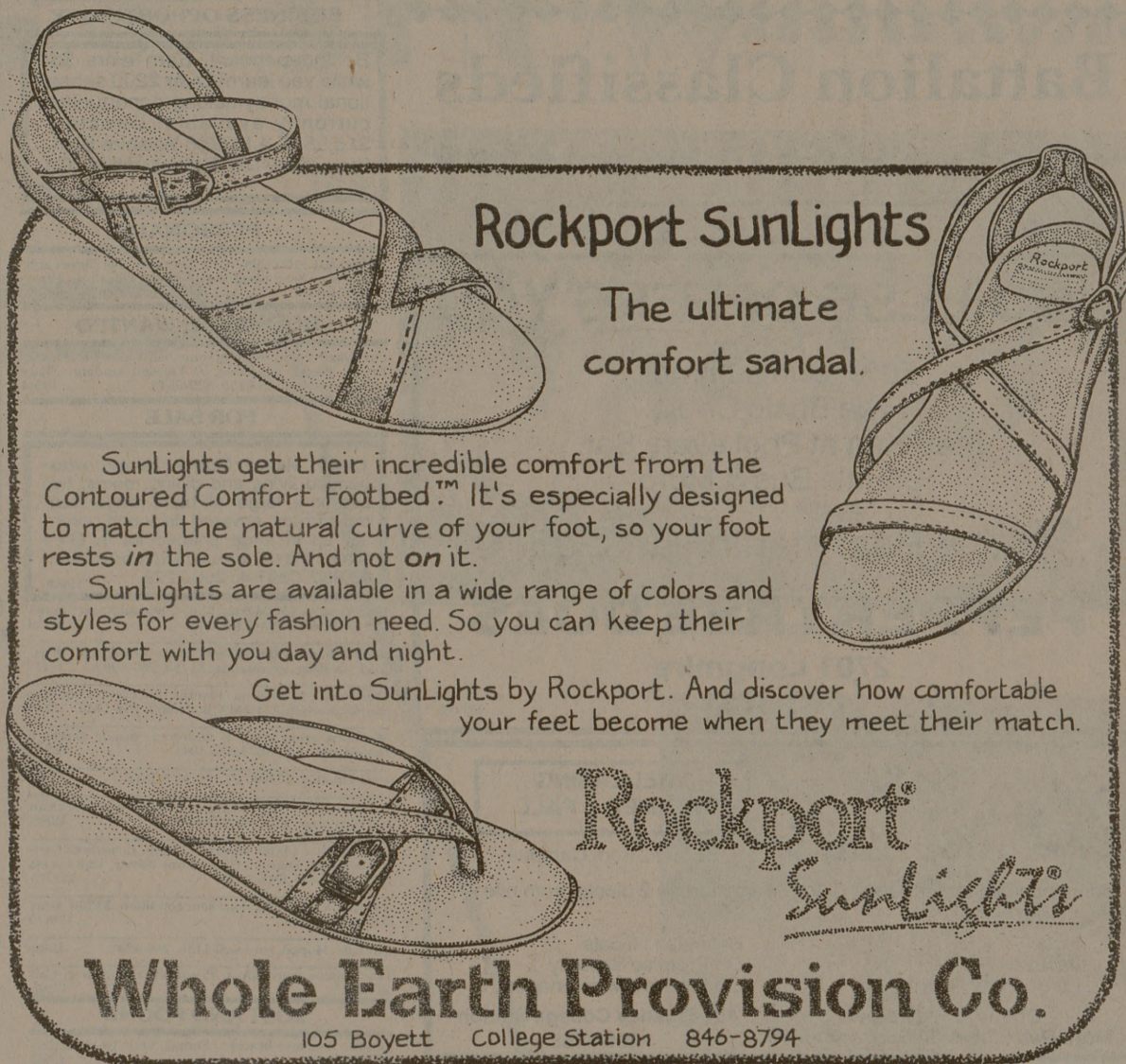
Hayenga said about 30 people participated in the seminar last

year. He said he likes a small group because he gets to know the participant's objectives.

"We help people identify goals," Hayenga said. "People come in with a question or two in mind, and if they get that answered, they're comfortable."

The seminar is scheduled just before Parents' Weekend, so it is easier for the parents to participate, Hayenga said.

Perry Cortese, president of the Ag Eco Club, said, "It's not a lecture seminar, it's a learning seminar."



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