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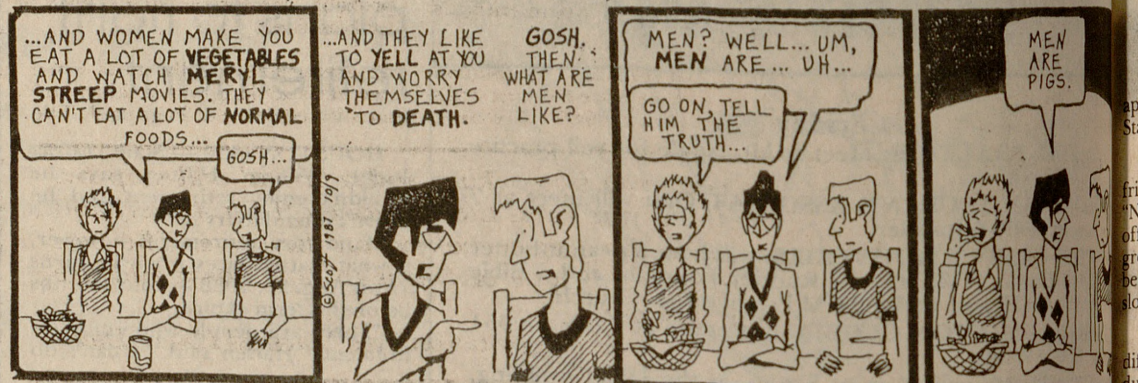
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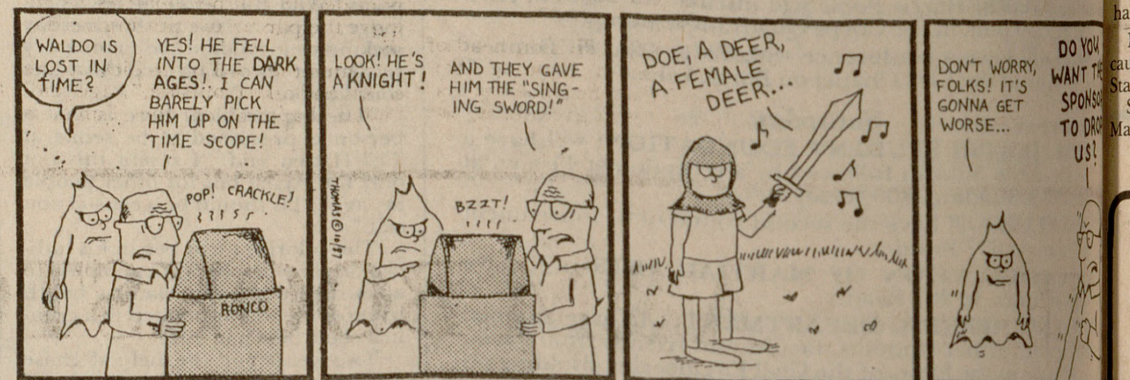
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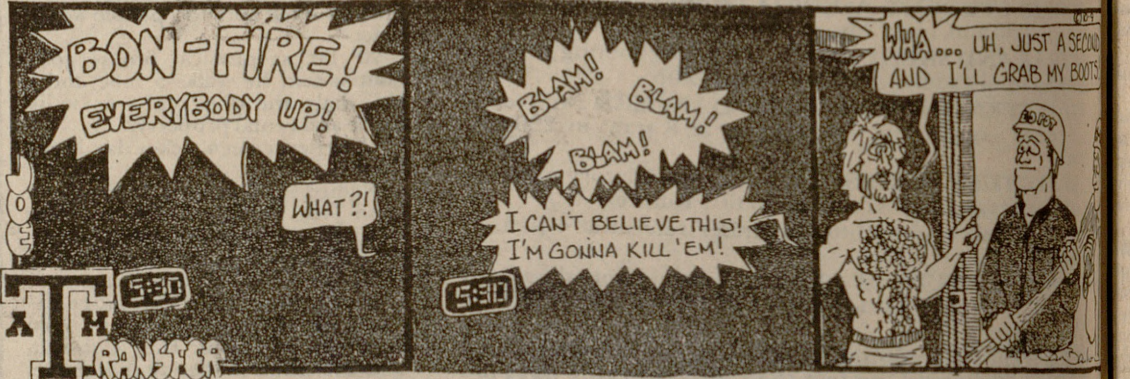
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# A&M Younglife group sponsor area students

Youths can find friends, emotional support

By Mary McClenny  
Reporter

A group of Texas A&M students helps junior and senior high school students in the Bryan-College Station area obtain emotional support, unconditional understanding and friends through involvement in the A&M Younglife group.

"Our first requirement to the kids is that we are their friends and we earn the right to tell them the gospel of Christ," says Rick Schroeder, a senior environmental design major and president of the Christian-based organization. "If they don't accept it, you never leave them as a friend. You are always to be their friend first."

In the fall semester of each year Younglife meets on campus every Sunday night to sing songs and discuss the gospel, Schroeder said. The group also organizes retreats and brings in speakers throughout the semester, he said.

"Meetings are pretty basic in the fall," he said. "We mainly want students to get to know each other, and we want them to have a place where they can rest and listen and be fed spiritually by speakers."

The spring semester brings a different light to the group, he said. This semester is an intense training time for prospective leaders of the junior and senior high school groups and consists of roll calls, weekly assignments, mini-tests and group retreats. These are all designed to bring the group closer together and help them to understand the purpose of Younglife, he said. The

training is a way to see who really wants to be involved and help the kids, he said.

"We have them (prospective leaders) look into current events to see what is happening with the 'kid culture,'" Schroeder said. "We want them to be aware of what's going on — child abuse, drugs on campus, teen-age pregnancies and teen-age suicides. Through this, they can see what's going on so they can know

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what they are up against and what the kids need."

Once Younglife members have successfully completed the training semester, they are eligible to become volunteer junior and senior high school leaders. They are placed in area junior and senior high schools in teams, whose number depends on the size of the school and the degree of need.

The groups are supervised by area directors on the Younglife staff. A&M Younglife leaders, overseen by Wayne Smith, the organization's Bryan-College Station area director,

work with students from Allen High School, A&M Consolidated High School, Allen High School, Bryan High School and Stephen F. Austin Jr. High School. They help Navasota High School and are overseen by Scott Navasota area director.

Schroeder said there is no monitoring done by the directors. They are mainly a source of guidance for the leaders. The directors also get to know the junior and senior high school students.

The leaders get involved with the student body by visiting the schools during lunch and going to sporting events and the places where students congregate after school.

Laura Raffety, a senior education major and leader at Bryan High School, said, "You feel stupid and nervous at first, but you just have to be bold and talk to them. It's hard to talk to the kids and it takes time to become a friend, but they know you are a Younglife leader and so they are pretty comfortable with you."

The weekly high school meetings are for Christians and non-Christians and consist of songs, announcements and fellowship. Students involved with the group are invited to the meetings.

"We try to see how the kids are doing from a Christian aspect, it's low-key enough so it won't offend the non-Christians," Raffety says.

Raffety said the meetings had large turnouts and the kids come back from week to week.

# Women's studies program may become formal minor

By Holly Becka  
Reporter

A formal minor in women's studies at Texas A&M may be approved this fall, said Dr. Harriette Andreadis, associate professor of English.

Andreadis founded the interdisciplinary Women's Studies Program at A&M in 1982. Although it is five years old, A&M's program still lags behind women's studies programs at other major universities, she said.

A&M's program has core classes, but it cannot be considered a formal program until it is approved by the Liberal Arts Council, she said.

Andreadis heads the committee that recently proposed women's studies be formalized by the College of Liberal Arts, since it already had some main classes.

Guidelines for the program have been written to conform with other interdisciplinary programs in the liberal arts college, she said.

Once the program is approved, a formal minor in Women's Studies will be available and within the next two years, Andreadis said, information about the women's studies minor should be printed in A&M's course catalog.

The catalog listings will include an introductory class in women's studies, guidelines for the minor and an exit

course — which will be a senior-level class emphasizing the student's particular field.

There are already women's studies courses available for interested students, such as English 374, Women Writers; History 473, History of Modern America; Women; Political Science 317, Women in Politics; Sociology 424, Women and Work in Society. Women's studies classes are open to both men and women.

Andreadis said the Women's Studies Program is supported by a large number of male faculty members that many men attend the classes. But of the total number of men at A&M, only a small percentage take women's studies courses, she said.

Women's studies give all students a broad perspective on society, culture and ways of thinking, Andreadis said.

There are many benefits for the men who attend since the roles are reversed and they are able to see what it's like for women in history, politics or science, she said.

Andreadis said she thinks more students will attend the classes as the program becomes better known.

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