

What's Up

Wednesday

- THE BIG HUG:** will have a meeting at 8:30 p.m. in 214 Pavilion. Call 845-0690 for more information.
- EUROPE CLUB:** will have a meeting at 10:30 p.m. at Sneakers. Call 696-1413 or 696-3971 for more information.
- STUDENTS AGAINST APARTHEID:** will have a meeting at 8:30 p.m. in 507AB Rudder. Call Irwin at 693-9491 for more information.
- REFORMED UNIVERSITY FELLOWSHIP:** will have a weekly Bible study and fellowship at 7 p.m. in 404 Rudder. Contact Chris Yates at 776-1185 for more information.
- AGGIES FOR JACK RAINS:** will have an informational meeting of upcoming events at 7 p.m. in 027 MSC. Call 696-1571 for more information.
- RHA GENERAL ASSEMBLY:** will have a meeting at 8:30 p.m. in 301 Rudder.
- TAMU ROAD RUNNERS:** will have a weekly run at 5:30 p.m. at the aerobic track. Call David at 696-8544 or Tony at 847-2270 for more information.
- TEXAS ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION COALITION:** will have an educational & recycling committee mtg. at 6:30 p.m.; public relations & wildlife committee mtg. at 7:30 p.m.; forestry committee mtg. at 8:30 p.m. in 221 CE Building.
- PHI BETA LAMBDA:** will go roller skating at 7:30 p.m. at Roller Thunder Skateland. Contact Kip at 847-1560 for more information.
- LUTHERAN STUDENT MOVEMENT:** will have an evening prayer, praise and supper at 6:30 p.m. at the University Lutheran Chapel and Student Center. Call 846-6687 for more information.
- INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS ASSOCIATION:** will have a speaker meeting at 7 p.m. in 153 Blocker. Contact John at 696-8139 for more information.
- TYLER HOMETOWN CLUB:** will meet at the Flying Tomato at 7:30 p.m. for a party. Call Matthew at 693-7106 for more information.
- MSC POLITICAL FORUM:** will have an international subcommittee meeting at 6 p.m. in 145 MSC. Call 847-3106 for more information.
- CSA:** will have a meeting at 5:30 p.m. at the Student Center Library. Call St. Mary's Student Center at 846-5718 for more information.
- CATHOLICS ON THE QUAD:** will discuss divorce, remarriage and annulments at 9 p.m. in Lounge B. Call St. Mary's Student Center at 846-5718 for more information.
- NEWMAN:** will have a creative liturgy at 7:30 p.m. at the St. Mary's Student Center. Call 846-5718 for more information.
- RACQUETBALL CLUB:** will have an organizational meeting for team & club members at 7 p.m. in court 7 Read Building. Call Philip at 764-7469 for more information.
- HISPANIC BUSINESS STUDENT ASSOCIATION:** will have a meeting at 7 p.m. in 114 Blocker. Call 764-0643 for more information.
- SOCIETY OF WOMEN ENGINEERS:** will have a meeting at 6:30 p.m. in 102 Zachry. Call 693-8079 for more information.
- MSC VARIETY SHOW:** will have a committee meeting at 7 p.m. in 504 Rudder. Call 774-7706 for more information.
- AGGIE WATCH/ALPHA PHI OMEGA/UNIVERSITY POLICE DEPT:** will have bicycle registration from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and from 4 to 7 p.m. at the MSC & Commons lobby.
- EL PASO HOMETOWN CLUB:** will have an organizational meeting at 7 p.m. in 305 AB Rudder. Contact Alexcia at 693-5935 for more information.
- DELTA SIGMA PI:** will have a professional speaker at 7 p.m. in Lecture Room A of the Alumni Center. Contact Margaret at 693-1230 for more information.
- NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF BLACK ACCOUNTANTS:** will have a general meeting featuring speaker Lt. Pete Rhiem at 8:30 p.m. in 402 Rudder. Contact Tawanda at 847-5478 for more information.
- UNITED CAMPUS MINISTRIES:** will have a supper at 6 p.m. in the Texas A&M Presbyterian Church. Call 847-6780 for more information.
- PHILOSOPHY CLUB:** will have their elections for officers and a talk on philosophy by Dr. Harris at 7:30 p.m. in 123 Blocker. Contact Leon at 779-3245 for more information.
- CO-OP CLUB:** will have a general meeting and officer elections at 5:30 p.m. in 342 Zachry. Contact Joe at 696-1649 for more information.
- TAMU SAILING CLUB:** will have a membership meeting and discuss their agenda at 7 p.m. in 203 Zachry. Call Tim at 693-9479 for more information.
- NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS:** will have a general discussion at 8:30 p.m. Call C.D.P.E. at 845-0280 for more information.
- ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS:** will have a general discussion at noon. Call C.D.P.E. at 845-0280 for more information.

Thursday

- DATA PROCESSING MGMT. ASSOCIATION:** ICDP-VALIC will meet at 7 p.m. in the Ramada Inn.
- ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS:** will have a general discussion at noon. Call C.D.P.E. at 845-0280 for more information.
- ADULT CHILDREN OF ALCOHOLICS:** will have a general discussion at 6 p.m. Call C.D.P.E. at 845-0280 for more information.
- NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS:** will have a general discussion at 8:30 p.m. Call C.D.P.E. at 845-0280 for more information.
- EXCELLENCE UNITING CULTURE, EDUCATION, AND LEADERSHIP:** applications are available. Deadline is February 5 at 5 p.m. Contact Cynthia at 845-4565 for more information.
- PHI BETA LAMBDA:** will have a smoker at 8:30 p.m. in 510 Rudder. Contact Kip at 847-1560 for more information.
- RUSSIAN CLUB:** will discuss plans for International Week at 3:30 p.m. in 321 of Sterling C. Evans Library. Also, there will be a table in 127 Academic on career opportunities for Russian majors from 4:30-5:30 p.m.
- TAMU HORTICULTURE SOCIETY:** will have a work party at 5 p.m. in the Horticulture Club Greenhouses. Contact Marianna at 823-3414 for more information.
- THE ACTOR:** presents 'The Winter's Tale' at 7:30 p.m. in Rudder Theater. Call 845-2621 for more information.
- INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS ASSOCIATION:** will have auditions for talent show and dress parade from 7-10 p.m. in 201 MSC. Contact Sandra at 846-5798 or Patricia at 693-6781 for more information.
- WOMEN'S STUDIES SUPPORT GROUP:** will vote on charter and plan February events at 7 p.m. in 140 MSC. Contact Melissa at 846-3487 for more information.
- MANAGEMENT SOCIETY:** will meet at 6:30 p.m. in Taco Cabana.
- PI SIGMA EPSILON:** will have orientation for new members at 8:30 p.m. in 302 Rudder. Business attire is suggested. Contact Heather at 693-5752 for more information.
- RADIO TELEVISION NEWS DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION:** will have a general meeting about their fund raiser at 6:30 p.m. in Sneakers. Call 696-9694 for more information.

Items for What's Up should be submitted to The Battalion, 216 Reed McDonald, no later than three business days before the desired run date. We only publish the name and phone number of the contact if you ask us to do so. What's Up is a Battalion service that lists non-profit events and activities. Submissions are run on a first-come, first-served basis. There is no guarantee an entry will run. If you have questions, call the newsroom at 845-3315.

Executives take courses in grammar

Group teaches ABCs of corporate language

CHICAGO (AP) — Top executives who feel badly about not knowing good grammar, regardless of their education or rank, can learn the basics from a group that teaches the ABC's of grammar to corporate America.

Anyone who thinks that sentence reads right is a good candidate for The Grammar Group, whose founder says "feel badly" and "irregardless" are among the top 10 grammatical errors in written business communication.

"Most business letters and memos probably have at least one grammatical or punctuation error," Zacharias Rosner, the group's founder and owner, said Tuesday.

Mistakes often are made not by the secretaries who type the memos but by the company heads who write them — and that hurts a company's image, Rosner said in a telephone interview.

Even heads of state make mis-

"It's really a back-to-basics type of program, all the things you never learned or forgot."

—Vicki Cohen, ex-student

takes. A letter from former President Reagan to business executives he had worked with is used to illustrate that fact in courses Rosner's group teaches to companies like Ford Motor Co., AT&T and Amoco Corp.

"It's a letter written by someone on his staff, but he signed it," Rosner said.

"The president starts off, 'I wanted to tell you how much I appreciated the help you gave ...'" Rosner said. "The implication is he doesn't want it anymore and doesn't appreciate it anymore."

Rosner said his courses are for educated people who "haven't been taught correct usage of the language."

"They're the people who are speaking for the company, and they're the ones whose words matter," said Rosner, whose Chicago-based group teaches grammar to between 7,000 and 10,000 people a year.

"My whole job is writing," said Jerry Pompa, an organizational planning analyst in Detroit for Ford, the group's largest client. "I can't think that class enough. I even correct my boss at times."

Roy Leinweber, president of Gannett Outdoor Co. of Michigan, is another ex-student. His outdoor advertising company had two seminars with the group.

"It started out with the secretaries on grammar questions and eventually we brought all our office people in, sales people and department managers," said Leinweber.

"It was very effective. I think our sales proposals are better; our correspondence is better," he said.

Lawyer: Remove Confederate flag

HOUSTON (AP) — The president of a black lawyers group says he will ask a state district judge to take down a Confederate battle flag hanging in his courtroom.

Benjamin Piggot, president of the Houston Lawyers Association, says he's writing State District Judge Allen J. Daggett a personal letter asking for an explanation and requesting the flag's removal from above the judge's bench.

The flag hangs near a longhorn steer head and the five other flags that have flown over Texas.

"The connotation of the Confederate flag in 1990 in the United States is one of representing pro-segregation and pro-racism," said Bruce Griffiths, attorney for the American Civil Liberties Union in Houston.

"Judge Daggett certainly has the right to show his own belief on his own time," Griffiths said Monday. "But a Confederate flag should not be shown in a courtroom as the official paraphernalia of the court."

The flag hanging-issue arose last week when an attorney representing New York Yankees outfielder Dave Winfield in a divorce hearing commented on the Confederate flag's presence in the courtroom.

The five other flags in the courtroom, all draped along a wall, are the Texas flag, the U.S. flag and those of France, Mexico and Spain.

Daggett, a Democrat up for reelection this year, refused to discuss the flag.

"Anyone with clear eyesight can see it's all six flags. I'm not going to talk about that or anything else, sweetheart," Daggett told a Houston Chronicle reporter.

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