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## Weekly forum focuses on local, world issues

By SELINA GONZALEZ  
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Insights, a MSC Political Forum program, sheds light on local, state and world issues.

Matt Wood, Political Forum chairman, said Insights allows students to interact with faculty and staff in an informal setting.

Stephanie Schull, director of Insights, said about 10 to 25 people attend the discussion group to become informed about issues affecting them.

Participants meet at 1 p.m. every Monday in the MSC cafeteria cashier's room. They will continue to meet until April 23.

Participants include faculty, undergraduate students and graduate students, and everyone is invited.

"We like to address issues that appear on the editorial page of The Battalion because that is usually on the minds of the students," Schull said.

Schull said the program, now

in its third semester, is low-key and differs from other Political Forum programs.

Various professors have been invited to suggest topics to discuss.

"Usually, a faculty member will speak about an issue for about 20 minutes and then we will discuss it for the rest of the hour," Schull said.

In the past, the group has discussed campus racial issues with Kevin Carreathers, coordinator of the Department of Multicultural Services.

Schull said the movie "Born on the Fourth of July" sparked a discussion on the Vietnam War.

Wood said that in the future, Insights participants will discuss women in business and race relations with Japan.

Also, participants will focus on the Bryan-College Station community when a county commissioner speaks to the group about the environmental issue of landfills, he said.

## Journalist shares experiences



Photo by Steven M. Noreyko  
Linda Ellerbee

By RUSS NEEDELS  
Special to the Battalion

Only dead fish go with the flow, an award-winning broadcast journalist from Bryan said Saturday.

Linda Ellerbee shared her experiences of both career and life at the 20th anniversary of the Friends of the Sterling C. Evans Library and the present location of the Bryan Public Library.

Ellerbee stressed the importance of change through her five rules of life. They are:

- Do it your own way.
- "Only dead fish swim with the stream," she said.
- The best things in life aren't things.
- "You can always get another job, but you can't get another family," she said.
- The duty of every citizen is to keep his or her mouth open at all times.
- "Speak your mind," she said.
- If you don't want to get old, then don't mellow.
- A good time to laugh is any time you can.

While reminiscing about her career, Ellerbee elaborated on what

are commonly referred to as "twinkies" in the broadcast industry, or those people who have "blow-dried brains, as well as hair."

She said any person who sticks a microphone in the face of a victim during a tragedy should be fired, because, after all, "Isn't that common sense?"

**Do it your own way.  
The best things in life aren't things.  
Speak your mind.**

—tips from  
**Linda Ellerbee,  
broadcast journalist**

The one attitude in broadcasting that appalls Ellerbee, she said, is the arrogance of some television producers who believe that they're more intelligent than the viewers.

Ellerbee continued to talk about her career and the troubles she faced by explaining one of the most controversial issues in her career: why she appeared in the Maxwell

## Board nominates students for editor positions

By JULIE MYERS  
Of The Battalion Staff

Editors for The Battalion, AggieLand and Aggievision were nominated Friday by the student publications board.

Senior journalism major Monique Threadgill was nominated as editor for The Battalion during the 1990 summer sessions. Threadgill is currently the managing editor of The Battalion.

Beginning May 16, the summer editor is responsible for producing The Battalion Tuesday through Friday of both summer sessions, Wednesdays between summer and fall classes, and all pre-printed sections of the back-to-school issue, which is distributed the first day of school.

Junior economics major Cindy McMillian was nominated as editor of the Fall 1990 Battalion. McMillian is currently a news editor at The Battalion.

The fall editor is responsible for producing The Battalion during the last week of regular classes of the spring semester, the Wednesday during final exam week, the front section of the back-to-school issue and all of the fall semester issues until the last week of classes.

Senior recreation, parks and tourism science major Paula McKnight was nominated as the 1991 AggieLand editor. McKnight is currently editor of The AggieLand, the largest college yearbook in the nation.

Freshman Stephanie Maddox was nominated as the 1991 AggieVision editor. Maddox currently serves as a member of the AggieVision staff.

Recommendations will be forwarded to Dr. Dean Gage, acting provost and vice president for academic affairs, who will make the final decisions.

## Academy teaches English as second language

By PAM MOOMAN  
Of The Battalion Staff

Think about spending the summer learning to speak Chinese.

Some foreign students will come to Bryan this summer with Allen Academy's English as a Second Language summer school program to learn to speak English.

Lynred Hoepfner, headmaster, said that along with its regular curriculum, Allen Academy offers a year-round English as a Second Language program, where students in the first year of the program work on English grammar and conversation skills instead of studying English and history.

But on June 4, Allen Academy's ESL summer program begins. Foreign students come from many different countries for different reasons, Hoepfner said.

This year, she said, the academy has stu-

dents from Japan and Taiwan. In the past, many students have come from South American and Latin countries.

Often, foreign students come to Allen Academy's ESL summer program because they already have American connections, such as relatives, she said. One student just wanted to go to an American school, she said.

"They come for different reasons," Hoepfner said. "Often, they are interested in enrolling in an American school in the fall."

Hoepfner said the ESL summer program has been offered before, but this year is the first time that foreign students participating in the program will be able to stay in dorms and eat on the Texas A&M campus.

"It's a benefit for Allen to use facilities at A&M," she said.

However, only boys ages 13-18 will be boarded, although the ESL summer program

is open to all foreign students, as well as members of the local community, she said.

The foreign students will come to Allen Academy for morning classes, Hoepfner said, and in the afternoon will go on field trips to the Blue Bell Creamery, the School of Veterinary Medicine and possibly NASA facilities in Houston.

"(This will) put them in conversational activities for oral development," she said. In other words, they can put in practice what they learned in the classroom that morning, she said.

Allen Academy also offers 120's to foreign, non-immigrant students. An 120 is an entrance requirement allowing foreign students to go to U.S. schools, Hoepfner said.

Foreign students attending the first ESL summer session will arrive on June 3 to register, and classes will begin on June 4 and end on June 29. Registration for the second ses-

sion is on July 1 with classes beginning on July 2 and ending on July 27.

Students can choose one of the four-week sessions, Hoepfner said, or they can attend both sessions.

Hoepfner said learning English is becoming increasingly important in today's world.

"I would think essentially our world is coming to a global community," she said.

"One of the ways to do that is to learn the English language," she said.

Allen Academy, in Bryan at the corner of Briarcrest Drive and Boonville Road, was founded in 1886.

The academy offers co-educational day classes in grades pre-kindergarten through 12, and it has boarding facilities for boys grades eight through 12.

# Announcing...

Tuesday, April 3

"International Luncheon Series" - presentation by Dr. John Wormuth on Antarctica. Buy your lunch at the MSC Cafeteria, then join us for the informal presentation. Everyone is welcome!  
Time: 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.  
Location: MSC Cafeteria Conference Room 110 (near cash registers)

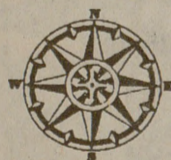
Saturday, April 7 (Parents' Weekend)

11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.: tours of the Jordan Collection of international art objects.  
Location: Browsing Library (Room 223 of Memorial Student Center)

2:00 p.m.: showing of "We've Never Been Licked". All proceeds from the film go to the MSC Overseas Loan Program.  
Location: Rudder Theatre  
Price: \$2.00 (Tickets go on sale at 1:00 p.m. before show.)

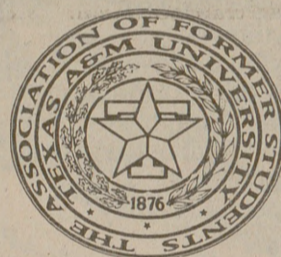
Monday, April 9

"Women in Pakistan: A Socioeconomic and Legal Profile". The lecture will be presented by Dr. Rashida Patel, Advocate on Record Supreme Court of Pakistan and Advocate Supreme Court of Sind.  
Time: 7:00 p.m.  
Location: Room 206 of Memorial Student Center



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For more information, please call 845-8770.

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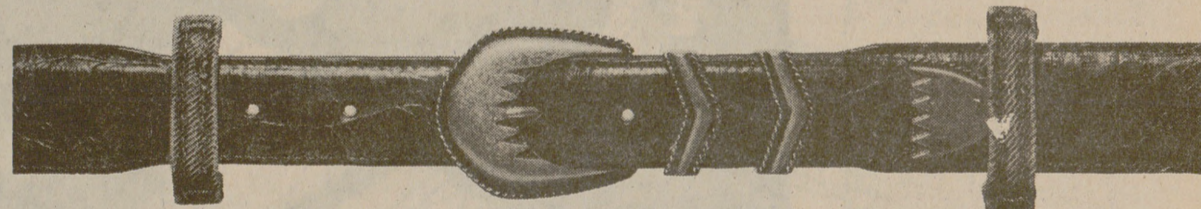


If you are a member of the Class of '90 and will graduate in December '90, you may vote in the upcoming Class of '90 Class Agents Election.

Stop by the MSC Student Lounge/Flag Room  
Tues., Apr. 3; Wed., Apr. 4; or Thurs., Apr. 5,  
9 a.m. - 4 p.m. to cast your vote.  
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