

Do you have any of the following concerns?

- * Improving an academic skill
- * Finding a tutor
- * Locating programs for academic assistance
- * Establishing and clarifying academic goals
- * Finding a major or career

If the answer is YES, you may wish to utilize one of the following services.

ACADEMIC ASSISTANCE SERVICES *

*** Academic Assistance Information Clearinghouse**--Located in the Student Counseling Service, this Clearinghouse consists of a file that contains the names, phone numbers and qualifications of people willing to tutor courses offered at A&M. It also contains information from many academic departments explaining procedures for obtaining extra academic help. Come to the Third Floor, YMCA Bldg., 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, to use this service.

*** Academic Burnout Prevention**--An academic life-style that includes social activities and physical exercise, as well as study, is generally considered the best method for maintaining academic motivation. Student Activities, Room 208, Pavilion (845-1133) and the Memorial Student Center Student Programs Office, Room 216 (845-1515) will guide students to campus activities that fit the student's interests and social needs. The Recreational Sports Office, Room 159, Read Building (845-7826) will guide students to physical activities that may help meet both a student's social and physical activity needs.

*** Concentration Problems Assistance**--Difficulties with concentration usually result from failure to establish a good study environment, from unfocused academic and life goals, or from relationship and other personal problems. The Student Counseling Service (845-1651) and the Counseling and Assessment Clinic (845-8021) offer both individual and group programs to help students with these concerns. Most services at the Student Counseling Service are free to currently enrolled students who have paid the student service fee. The Counseling and Assessment Clinic charges a fee for services to students.

*** English Writing Lab**--Located in Room 241, Blocker Building, the Writing Lab offers help with acquiring effective writing skills. Call 845-2568 for information about current programs. Diagnostic testing, self-study, and tutoring to aid development are services which are available. Fee charged.

*** Handicapped Student Service**--Programs and services to help A&M students compensate for learning disabilities of a physical, mental or emotional nature are provided by this office located in Hart Hall, Ramp B (845-1637).

*** Learning Resources**--This service is located on the sixth floor of Sterling C. Evans Library. Over 120 microcomputers, 500 software packages, and a great variety of audio-visual equipment and materials are provided for students free of charge. Facilities and staff assistance for using these resources are also provided. Among the self-help materials available are programmed instructions for learning to use microcomputers and microcomputer software. In addition, short courses in the use of specific software packages are offered. A fee of \$3.50 per hour is charged for these courses and most courses are 10 hours long. Call 845-2316 for information.

*** Help Sessions**--Tutoring for all students needing assistance with course work is sometimes provided by individual department. Please call the specific department to inquire about services.

*** Mentors**--A large university like TAMU is filled with busy people and can seem very impersonal. Mentors consist of more than 300 A&M faculty members who have volunteered to set aside part of their week to "just talk." This is an excellent opportunity for students who wish to have the guidance of someone on the inside of academia. Call your departmental office to ask about the Mentors Program.

*** Old Exam Files**--Professors and Student Government have placed copies of old exams in a file at the Sterling C. Evans Library Reserve Room. A call number, accessed through the computer terminals, is needed. Instructions are provided near the library terminals.

*** Professors**--Very often the most effective resource for academic assistance that students have available to them is the professor of the course in which they are having trouble. It is wise for students to visit with each of their professors, especially if they have any questions. A professor can often help a student early in the semester, but the week before finals is likely to be too late for anyone having serious difficulties. Professors have office hours and a student should arrange to meet professors during that time.

*** Study Skills Improvement**--The Department of Educational Psychology offers a course each semester called "Improvement of Learning" (EPSY 101). The Student Counseling Service, 3rd Floor, YMCA Building (845-1651) offers both individual and group study skills assistance to currently enrolled students on a weekly basis.

*** Test Rehabilitation Commission**--Provides assistance to Texas A&M University and Blinn College students with permanent or handicapping disabilities. Example of the disabilities covered are learning disabilities, orthopedic deformities, emotional disorders, diabetes, epilepsy, heart conditions, ect. Call 845-0350 or 845-1620, or go to Room 147, MSC, or Room 223, Beutal Health Center for information regarding scholarships, financial assistance, tutors, diagnosis, treatment, and other services.

*** Volunteer Tutoring**--Phi Eta Sigma (Honor Society) offers free tutoring in most freshman courses. Go to the Student Activities cubicle area, Pavilion, for more information. Many departmental undergraduate honor societies will also offer free tutoring in freshman and sophomore courses. Contact the honor society's president through the appropriate academic department office or through Student Activities.

*** Academic Skills Program**--This program is designed to meet the academic needs of Texas A&M University students whose Texas Academic Skills Program (TASP) test results indicate basic skill deficiencies in the areas of math, writing, and/or reading. Various college credit developmental courses taught by specialists provide students with instructional aid and support while helping them successfully prepare for the TASP test and other academic coursework. Academic counseling and information regarding the TASP test are available. Contact this program at 241 Blocker, or phone 845-2568 for further information regarding these services.

*** Career Information**--If students believe that being in the wrong major is affecting their performance they may call the Student Counseling Service at 845-1651 or come to the third floor of the YMCA Building to make an appointment for career testing and group interpretation.

*** All services are subject to change. Please contact the service of interest for the most current information.**

or call
Student Counseling Service
Career and Academic
Resource Center
Third Floor, YMCA Building
846-1651

Information obtained and compiled by the Student Counseling Service
...a department in the Division of Student Services.

Former senator says commission mislead

DALLAS (AP) — There were efforts by President Reagan and his top aides to mislead the Tower Commission and cover up White House involvement in a key aspect of the Iran-Contra affair, former Texas Sen. John Tower said.

In his soon-to-be-published memoirs, Tower said he was shocked when Reagan denied the White House gave advance approval for an August 1985 shipment of missiles to Iran, contradicting an earlier statement.

The longtime Republican lawmaker said Reagan's about-face seemed part of a "deliberate effort" to cover up then-White House Chief of Staff Donald Regan's involvement in the affair, the Dallas Times Herald's Washington bureau reported Thursday.

Tower also raised the possibility that by subtly showing investigators that aides prepared a statement changing his story, Reagan was "deliberately tipping us off that Donald

Regan was up to something fishy." The Tower Commission's report noted Reagan's shifting stories about the missile sale. But the newspaper reported Tower's book marks the first time a principal figure has suggested that the changes were part of a deliberate cover-up.

In a Jan. 26, 1987, meeting with the Tower board, Reagan said that sometime in August, 1986, he approved a shipment of arms by Israel to Iran. In a meeting with the Tower board two weeks later, Reagan said that he and Regan had gone over the matter a number of times and that Regan had a firm recollection that the president had not authorized the August shipment in advance.

The president said he didn't recall authorizing the August shipment either. Then on Feb. 20, 1987, the president wrote the board a letter, changing his story again. In the letter, he said he simply couldn't recall whether he approved the August shipment in advance.

Texas combat unit called Texas Guard battalion from McAllen mobilized

McALLEN (AP) — A battalion in the Lower Rio Grande Valley is the Texas National Guard's first combat unit to be mobilized in response to the Persian Gulf military buildup, officials said Thursday.

The 3rd Battalion, 141st Infantry of the Texas National Guard has been mobilized in the regular Army effective Dec. 7. Gov. Bill Clements Wednesday announced the activation to involve about 820 men in the mechanized infantry unit.

"It's the first Texas combat unit to be called," Col. Barry Ottley, chief of staff for the Texas National Guard's troop command, said. "The others have been support units."

Troop command directs about 6,200 members of the Texas National Guard who are not in the 49th Armored Division, based in Austin.

Ottley was in McAllen Thursday to supervise the sudden upsurge in activity at the armory since the activation was announced. He described the 3rd Battalion as "one of our premier units. They're trained to operate worldwide in any type of environment."

The battalion was alerted on Nov. 15. It will mobilize at its home station armories on Dec. 7, then move to its mobilization station at Fort Hood within a few days, Clements' office said Wednesday.

After mobilization at Fort Hood, the unit will move to Fort Irwin, Calif., for desert training, Ottley said.

It will become part of the 155th Armor Brigade of Mississippi.

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—Barry Ottley, colonel, Texas National Guard

according to present plans. They have no orders to go overseas but could be sent, officials said.

Soldiers with the battalion, which is based in McAllen, have trained primarily with the M2 Bradley fighting vehicle.

What's Up

Friday

COLOMBIAN STUDENT ASSOCIATION: will have last meeting at 7 p.m. in 216 Kleberg. Call Juan at 775-0645 for more information.

UNITED CAMPUS MINISTRY: will have Bible study at 6 p.m. at A&M Presbyterian Church office.

MGMT 481: will have a speaker at 10 a.m. in 114 Blocker. Call Libby at 847-2626 for more information.

VASA: will have graduation party at 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Pavilion. Call 846-1212 for more information.

OCA: will have a dinner club at 7 p.m. at Fuddrucker's. Call Brian at 823-6517 for more information.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS: will have a discussion at noon. Call the C.D.P.E. 845-0280 for more information.

AFRICAN STUDENT ASSOCIATION: will have a general assembly and speaker at 7 p.m. in 440 Heep.

FORESTRY CLUB: will have a Virginia pine Christmas tree sale from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. in dark in front of the Commons.

Saturday

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS: will have a discussion at 9:30 a.m. at St. Thomas Episcopal Church. Call 693-9912 for more information.

MSC VARIETY SHOW COMMITTEE: will have a meeting at 7 p.m. at 305AB Rudder.

STAGECENTER COMMUNITY THEATRE: "Visit to a Small Planet" will show at 7 p.m. at 3715 East 29th. Call 846-0287 for more information.

Sunday

STAGECENTER COMMUNITY THEATRE: "Visit to a Small Planet" at 2:30 p.m. at 3715 East 29th. Call 846-0287 for more information.

METHODIST STUDENT CENTER: 5 p.m., 6 p.m. dinner, 7 p.m. Vespers, 8 p.m. recreation at the Methodist Student Center. Call Max at 846-4701 for more information.

EPISCOPAL STUDENT CENTER: will have evening prayer and community dinner at 6:15 p.m. at the Canterbury House. Call 693-4245 for more information.

TRI BETA: will have pre-finals pizza party at 5 p.m. at the Flying Tomato. Call 847-4461 for more information.

TAMU ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY: will have a meeting at 7 p.m. in 100 Butler. Call 268-1162 for more information.

Monday

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS: will have a discussion at noon. Call the C.D.P.E. 845-0280 for more information.

TAMU ROADRUNNERS: will have a meeting and also handout club shirts at 7 p.m. at 308 Rudder. Call 693-6368 for more information.

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS: will have a discussion at 6 p.m. at CrestView Methodist Retirement Community. Call 693-9912 for more information.

LAMBDA SIGMA: will have a meeting from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the club in the Pavilion. Call 696-2866 for more information.

Items for What's Up should be submitted to The Battalion, 216 Reed McDonald, later than three business days before the desired run date. We publish the name and phone number of the contact only if you ask us to do so. What's Up is a Bulletin 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 845-3316.

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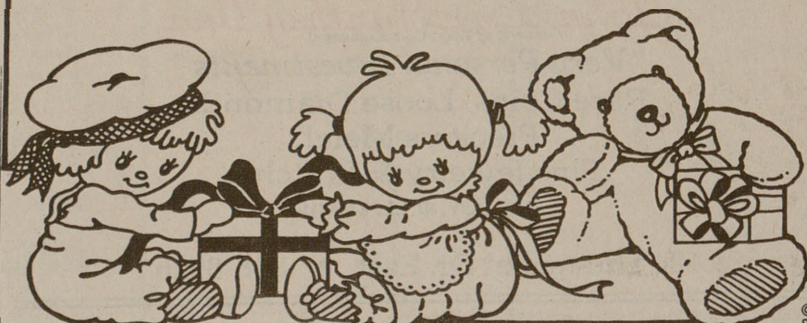
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COOPERATIVE EDUCATION REQUIRED MEETING
FOR ALL STUDENTS WHO PLAN TO WORK IN SPRING 1991 (even if you don't have a firm offer)

Dec. 3, 1990 5:15 P.M. 102 ZACHRY

- * Receive final reminders and instructions for your work term from co-op staff
- * Meet in small groups with your faculty co-op advisor to receive additional instructions on your report
- * Meet in small groups by company's geographical location to discuss company policies and procedures