

## Endowment offers students opportunity to study abroad

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The Battalion

Twenty-five Texas A&M University undergraduate students will have the opportunity to study in Europe because of support from the James Earl Rudder Normandy Scholarship program offered through the Study Abroad office.

For 10 weeks prior to leaving the United States, students study the causes, effects and aftermath of World War II; then, they travel to France to visit the actual site of former University President James Earl Rudder's successful D-Day invasion during World War II.

"It's really a moving and awe-inspiring experience to go to the 1944 location of the Allies," said Dr. Larry Hill, history department head. "It brings home the terrible nature of war to see

the vast cemeteries with tens of thousands of graves."

The program is named after Rudder for his accomplishments and contributions during World War II. A private endowment from the Battle of Normandy Foundation in Washington D.C. pays transportation, housing and food expenses for the students.

Ross McGlothlin, a junior history and English major, said by studying and learning about the horrors of war, it might be avoided in the future.

"Our duty is to see that it never happens again," said McGlothlin, who participated in the program last year.

McGlothlin said everything at the invasion site remains the same as it was in 1944. "The bomb craters, German guns, weapons. Everything is the same as it was 50 years ago," he said.

Three-day weekends permit the students to travel to Paris and London,

but these extra excursions are not paid for by the program.

Mary Beth Butler, assistant to the director for the Study Abroad Program, said competition for the semester-long program is high. The selection committee looks for high GPAs, participation in outside activities and good references, she said.

The program is an intensive, high-level semester, and the classes are taught on the honors level, Butler said. The Normandy Scholarship Program is open to all undergraduate students, regardless of majors.

"Last semester, we had students with majors in pre-med, political science, history and others," said Dr. Frank Baumgartner, associate professor of political science. "Since the first group has returned, I've written four letters of recommendation for students going to medical school."

Rudder commanded the 2nd Ranger Battalion during the D-Day invasion of Normandy to capture the German guns strategically placed at the top of the 100 ft. cliffs of Pointe du Hoe. The enemy guns had the capability of shooting troops on Omaha beach and at the Allies landing ships.

The mission was accomplished within 30 minutes, despite heavy casualties. Rudder was wounded twice.

Gen. Omar Bradley, commander of U.S. ground forces in France, later praised Rudder's performance in his biography, "A Soldier's Story."

"No soldier in my command has ever been wished a more difficult task than that which befell the 34-year-old commander of this Provisional Ranger Force," Bradley said.

Rudder also commanded the 109th Infantry Regiment in helping to drive back the Germans in their last big

counter-offensive, the Battle of the Bulge.

Upon his return to the States, Rudder was mayor of Brady, Texas, Vice President of Brady Aviation Corporation and Commissioner of the General Land Office of Texas.

In 1957, he became Vice President of Texas A&M and in 1959, he was appointed president.

Under Rudder's guidance, Texas A&M enrollment nearly doubled in size, mandatory participation in the Corps of Cadets was abolished, women were admitted on an equal basis as men, and the campus was racially integrated.

Rudder died in 1970 at the age of 59. Margaret Rudder, wife of the former Texas A&M president, will be a special guest at a reception honoring the fall 1992 and 1993 Normandy Scholars today.

## Police Beat

The following incidents were reported to the University Police Department between March 16 and March 25.

### Burglary of a Vehicle

•Hensel Terrace Apartments - The rear sliding glass window on the victim's 1982 Ford Pickup truck was pried open and a white cloth work glove was stolen from the interior.

•Hensel Terrace Apartments - The victim's 1991 Mazda Protege was entered and a lug nut adapter was stolen from the dash board ash tray.

### Burglary of a Building

•Reed McDonald Building - A large quantity of camera equipment valued in excess of \$4,000 was stolen from a first floor room.

•University Housing Air Conditioning Shop - A Refrigerant Recovery Technologies Inc. CFC Recovery Unit was stolen from the building.

### Burglary of a Coin-Operated Machine

•A-1 Lounge - The coin changer was removed from a copy machine in the building. The company representative reported \$30 in

change missing, however, the machine was not damaged.

### Misdemeanor Theft

•Sterling C. Evans Library - A gray wallet and checkbook were stolen from an unattended study carrel on the second floor.

•Rudder Theater - A 46-inch by 49-inch painting titled "Naked Ladies" was stolen from the first floor restroom lobby area.

•Zachary Engineering Center - The victim's purple backpack was stolen from a third floor room. It was recovered in the southwest stairwell on the first floor. The victim reported a Hewlett Packard calculator, two textbooks and a checkbook were missing.

### Criminal Mischief

•Intramural Sports Complex - Someone entered the golf ball storage area and damaged the golf ball washer by pulling it over on its side. The reporting party also advised his vehicle was damaged by someone who used a sharp instrument to scratch a derogatory message on the hood.

•Horse Center Pasture - Someone cut four strands of wire on the south side of the pasture and allowed eight horses to enter the roadway.

•Brayton Firefighting School - Someone

used a sharp object to damage the hood, roof, trunk and both sides of the victim's 1988 Dodge Shadow.

### Indecent Exposure

•Hart Hall - A subject was observed exposing his genitals in a manner intended to arouse or gratify. The subject was arrested and was found to have two outstanding warrants for indecent exposure. He was served with these warrants, escorted to the Brazos County Jail and arrested.

### Unlawful Carrying of a Weapon

•Hensel Park - A subject was found in possession of an illegal club. The club was placed in evidence and the subject's parole officer was notified.

•George Bush Drive - An intoxicated motorist was arrested and found to be in possession of an H&R .32 caliber handgun. The subject was transported to the Brazos County Jail and incarcerated.

### False Alarm or Report

•Zachry Engineering Center - Two calls were received from someone who claimed an explosive device had been placed inside the building.

## Voting

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vote," she said. "Students need to get involved and get to know the people running."

Even if someone doesn't know anything about the people running, Campbell said, students can write-in a name on the ballot if they choose not to vote for any of the candidates listed.

This week students will elect a student body president, senior and junior yell leaders, Residence Hall Association officers, Off Campus Aggies officers, Class Council officers and student senators.

A referendum on the ballot asks students to approve a \$15 semester fee to fund the library.

If students approve the fee, student leaders will meet with the Texas A&M University administrators to discuss details before presenting the proposal to the Board of Regents for final approval.

Election results will be released at midnight Thursday in front of the Lawrence Sullivan Ross statue near the Academic Building. Any runoffs will be held April 6.

## Correction

The Battalion reported Tuesday that on-campus students must renew or cancel their housing contracts for the 1993-94 academic year this Wednesday and Thursday.

The dates for updating housing contracts are Tuesday and Wednesday of this week. The Battalion regrets the error.

## ADVANCED ATS GROUP TUTORING

	WED 3/31	THU 4/1	SUN 4/4	MON 4/5
6-8	MATH 150	ELEN 306 HOMEWORK 5 PM - 8 PM		
8-10	ACCT 230 CH 10 - 11	MATH 1325 CH 15.1 - 15.2	ACCT 229 CH 13	MATH 1325 CH 15.3 - 15.4
10-1		MATH 1324 CH 7.1 - 7.2 10 pm - 12		
5-7	ACCT 2402 CH 23	ACCT 2401 CH 13	ACCT 2401 CH 14	ACCT 2401 TEST REV
7-10	PHYS 208 HUSON CH 32 - 33	PHYS 208 CHURCH & SEZGIN CH 30 - 31	MEEN 212 HOMEWORK #10	PHYS 222 CH 6 - 7
10-1	PHYS 208 CHURCH & SEZGIN CH 28 - 29	PHYS 219 CH 9 - 10		PHYS 219 CH 10 - 11

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