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# Lecture series looks for 'truth'

**□ Homosexuality, Christianity and scientific reasoning will be discussed at the Veritas Forum.**

By Courtney Walker  
THE BATTALION

Through a series of lectures next week on "Searching for the truth in the mind — The Rational in God," the Veritas Forum will foster discussions about truth in an academic setting, a Texas A&M Campus Crusade for Christ volunteer said.

The lectures will begin Monday with Dr. J.P. Moreland from the University of South California and "Searching for Truth in Life — Fulfilling the Human Quest for Meaning."

The lectures will last from 7:30 until 9 p.m. in Rudder every night through Friday.

Topics range from "Searching for Truth in Lifestyles: Homosexuality and Christian Morality" to "Searching for Truth in the Cosmos: Big Bang, Stephen Hawking and God."

The Veritas Forum was started at Harvard University in 1992 by a businessman from Columbus, Ohio, and a Harvard faculty member.

Mike Neely, south region director for Christian leadership ministries, said the Forum is not meant as a name-calling series of lectures, but is meant to expose positive aspects of the Christian world view in different academic disciplines.

"There has been an unfair dichotomy the last 30 to 40 years at universities of metaphysical naturalism," Neely said. "There is a belief that everything occurred by nature or by chance as seen in Darwin's theory, and we think something is right because science can explain everything."

The Forum was brought to the

A&M campus with the help of Dr. Walter Bradley, an A&M mechanical engineering professor.

"When the Veritas Forum first started around the country they needed someone to speak in the area of Christianity and God," Bradley said.

Gail Stucker, a Campus Crusade for Christ volunteer and a staff member for the mechanical engineering department, said people become specialized in their fields of study and lose sight of the broader perspective of truth.

"When we specialize we tend not to discuss the issues of truth in the classroom like they did a thousand years ago, and the debate of 'what is truth' is lost in the academic scene," Stucker said.

Bradley said that around the country, the idea of truth is very dubious and beliefs are relative.

"It's not just A&M, because the question of what truth is in regard to the Christian faith is here as much as any other university in the country," he said.

**BRIEFS**

**College of Medicine to host golf tournament**

The Texas A&M freshman and sophomore medical students are hosting TAMU College of Medicine Golf Tournament at the A&M golf course Saturday.

Proceeds from the tournament benefit Health for All, Inc., a Brazos Valley health care organization.

Interested golfers can register 7:30 a.m. Saturday at the golf course or contact the College of Medicine for more information.

**Clinton threatens to veto as GOP attacks Medicare**

WASHINGTON (AP) — Defense Secretary Richard Cheney's fresh veto threat from President Clinton, the House moved toward today of a Republican-drafted bill to force \$270 billion in savings from Medicare while offering the elderly expanded choices for health care.

Republicans conceded the risk of tackling a program that has 37 million Americans directly and countable millions more indirectly.

# Learning to play the part

**□ The Model United Nations conference gives students the opportunity to learn more about international and cultural affairs.**

By Courtney Walker  
THE BATTALION

In a conference Nov. 10 and 11, students will play the role of delegates for the Model United Nations Security Council and General Assembly.

Chrisma Jackson, vice chair of external affairs for Model International Organizations Committee and a senior mechanical engineering major, said the conference is the closest to Congress you can get.

Once students are selected to participate in the Model United Nations Conference, they are assigned a country and must write resolutions to place in front of the General Assembly.

The resolutions are presented at the conference by the delegates and debated. After the delegates have debated, the resolution is open for debate and up for voting.

"The conference exposes cultures of other nations and gives students a chance to debate world issues," Jackson said.

Lauren Adams, Security Council president and a junior psychology major, said she has been involved in the Model United Nations since high school and has learned more about international and current events.

"People need to realize there is more out there than the United States," Adams said. "We are a global community, not a local one."

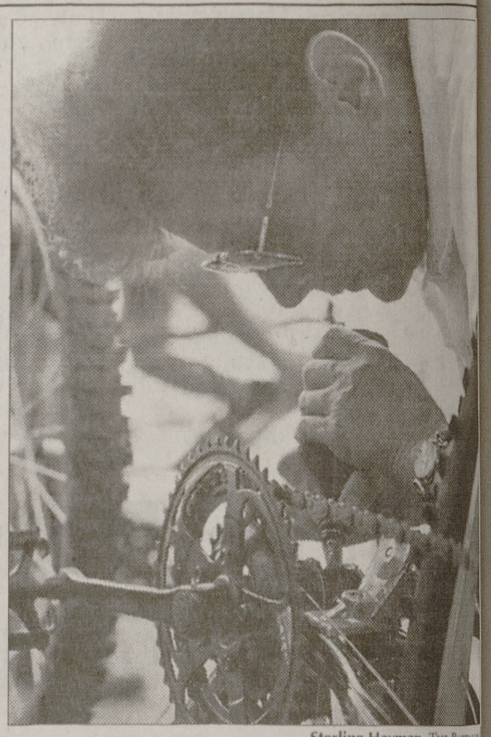
Along with the General Assembly, students also participate in the mock Security Council which meets during military conflict in the real United Nations Conference.

For the model conference, simulated crisis situations are made up where one country attacks another, and the delegates must deal with the problem like it is real.

Jason Smith, who is in charge of agenda topics and a junior political science major, said the conference lets students exchange cultural viewpoints, then bring them together.

"The conference gives insight to relations and intercommunication between foreign government on community concerns and issues around the nation," Smith said.

To participate, students must submit an application and list four possible countries they would like to represent in the conference. Applications are due today and may be turned in at 223 MSC.



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