

# THE BATTALION DEBRIEFING

Thursday • November 21



R.C. Slocum reads from *Oh The Places You'll Go*, by Dr. Seuss, Wednesday afternoon at Rudder Fountain, in celebration of Children's Book Week.

## ► Campus

### Phi Gamma Delta to host fall concert

The Texas A&M chapter of Phi Gamma Delta (Fiji) is holding its third annual Fiji Fall Concert tonight at the Texas Hall of Fame on FM 2818, with special guest Steve Wariner.

The proceeds from the concert will benefit the Texas A&M United Way Foundation and the Doug Blaz scholarship fund.

Tickets can be purchased in advance at Cavender's or the Hall of Fame for \$12 or at the door for \$15.

Adam Roark, concert chair and a junior business major, said the Fiji's are hoping for a good turnout.

"We hope to see a lot of people out there so we can raise more money," Roark said.

## ► State

### Tuition and fees increase 26 percent

DALLAS (AP) — Although the Texas Legislature in 1995 limited tuition increases for state colleges and universities, the institutions have taken advantage of the op-

tion allowing them to

mandatory student fees. Lawmakers capped increases at 6 percent a year, but ever, fees increased by 26 percent this year. The average age of 26 percent this year. The average age of 26 percent this year. The average age of 26 percent this year.

Tuition and fees for a student attending college this academic year rose by 26 percent — a 16 percent hike, on the heels of last year's 10 percent increase in tuition on the coordinating board report.

The University of Texas at Austin recorded some of the sharpest increases in tuition fees of any state school, which can be used for a variety of purposes, were \$360 in the school year. This year's increase was \$960, a 167 percent hike.

"You have to look at the increase over the past decade to understand why universities are raising revenue, Ed Sharpe, vice president for administration at the University of Texas, told The Wall Street Journal.

In the 1984-85 academic year, state funding accounted for 40 percent of the university's operating budget, he says. That percentage has fallen to 26 percent this year.

## ► This day in history

(AP) — Today is Thursday, Nov. 21, the 326th day of 1996. There are 40 days left in the year.

On this date:  
Nov. 21, 1877, inventor Thomas A. Edison announced the invention of his phonograph.

In 1789, North Carolina became the 12th state to ratify the U.S. Constitution.

In 1922, Rebecca L. Felton of Georgia was sworn in as the first woman to serve in the U.S. Senate.

In 1942, the Alaska highway across Canada was formally opened.

In 1973, President Nixon's attorney, J. Fred Buzhardt, revealed the existence of an 18 1/2-minute gap in one of the White House tape recordings related to Watergate.

In 1979, a mob attacked the U.S. Embassy in Islamabad, Pakistan, killing two Americans.

In 1980, 87 people died in a fire at the MGM

Grand Hotel-Casino in Las Vegas, Nev.

In 1985, former U.S. Navy intelligence analyst Jonathan Jay Pollard was arrested, accused of spying for Israel.

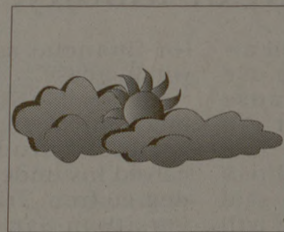
Ten years ago: CIA director William Casey defended secret U.S. arms sales to Iran during closed-door sessions with the House and Senate Intelligence Committees.

## ► Today's Birthdays

Baseball Hall-of-Famer Stan Musial is 76. Country singer Jean Shepard is 63. Actress Goldie Hawn is 51. Rock musician Lonnie Jordan (War) is 48. Singer Livingston Taylor is 46. Actress-singer Lorna Luft is 44. Actress Nicolette Sheridan is 33. Pop singer Bjork is 31. Rhythm-and-blues singer Chauncey Hanibal (BLACKstreet) is 28. Baseball player Ken Griffey Jr. is 27.

## ► Weather

### Today



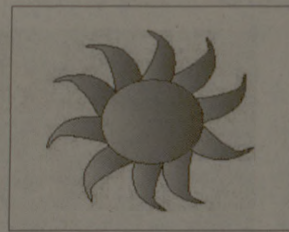
Early morning fog. Partly cloudy and unseasonably warm.

### Tonight



Mostly clear with possible late night fog and light winds.

### Tomorrow



Mostly fair skies. Sunny and mild in the afternoon.

### Highs & Lows

Today's Expected High: 75°F  
Today's Expected Low: 65°F  
Tomorrow's Expected High: 66°F  
Tomorrow's Expected Low: 52°F

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