

# THE BATTALION DEBRIEFING



Ryan Rogers, THE BATTALION

**Ready to Reel** Jim Robirds, a senior telecommunication major and employee of the theater department, prepares a film for the Film Festival.

### ► This day in history

Today is Friday, Feb. 21, the 52nd day of 1997. There are 313 days left in the year.

In 1846, Sarah G. Bagley became the first female telegrapher as she took charge at the newly opened telegraph office in Lowell, Mass.

In 1866, Lucy B. Hobbs became the first woman to graduate from a dental school, the Ohio College of Dental Surgery in Cincinnati.

In 1878, the first telephone directory was issued, by the District Telephone Company of New Haven, Conn.

In 1885, the Washington Monument was dedicated.

In 1916, the World War I Battle of Verdun began in France.

In 1925, The New Yorker magazine made its debut.

In 1947, Edwin H. Land publicly demonstrated his Polaroid Land camera, which could produce a black-and-white photograph in 60 seconds.

In 1965, former Black Muslim leader Malcolm X was shot and killed by assassins identified as Black Muslims as he was about to address a rally in New York City; he was 39.

In 1972, President Nixon began his historic visit to China.

In 1973, Israeli fighter planes shot down a Libyan Airlines jet over the Sinai Desert, killing more than 100 people.

In 1975, former Attorney General John N. Mitchell and former White House aides H.R. Haldeman and John D. Ehrlichman were sentenced to 2 1/2 to 8 years in

prison for their roles in the Watergate cover-up.

Ten years ago: The Tower Commission, appointed by President Reagan to investigate the Iran-Contra scandal, interviewed former national security adviser Robert McFarlane.

Five years ago: Kristi Yamaguchi of the United States won the gold medal in women's figure skating at the Albertville Olympics; Midori Ito of Japan won silver, Nancy Kerrigan of the United States won bronze. John Frohnmayer announced his resignation as chairman of the National Endowment for the Arts.

One year ago: The Space Telescope Science Institute announced that photographs from the Hubble Space Telescope confirmed the existence of a hole equal to the mass of 2 billion suns in a galaxy some 30 million light-years away.

### ► Today's birthdays

Fashion designer Hubert de Givenchy is 70. Nina Simone is 64. Actress Rue McClanahan is 63. Recording executive David Geffen is 54. Actress Daly is 51. Tricia Nixon Cox is 51. Sen. Olympia Snowe, R-Maine, is 50. Rock musician Jerry Garcia (The Dead) is 48. Actor William Petersen is 44. Kelsey Grammer is 42. Country singer Mary Chapin Carpenter is 39. Actor Christopher Atkins is 38. Singer Ranking Roger (General Public, English Beat) is 36. Actor Billy Baldwin is 34.

### ► Weather

Today	Tonight	Tomorrow	Highs & Lows
			Today's Expected High: 67°F
Partly cloudy. Northwest winds near 15 mph.	Partly cloudy. Northwest winds near 10 mph.	Sunny with north winds near 10 mph.	Tonight's Expected High: 39°F
			Tomorrow's Expected High: 58°F
			Tomorrow's Expected Low: 38°F

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 SOCI 230: Classical Social Theory  
 ECON 320: Economic Development of Europe  
 LBAR 332: Global Economic Issues

INFORMATIONAL MEETINGS in 358 Bizzell Hall West

Wednesday, February 19  
 1:00 - 1:45 pm  
 Thursday, February 20  
 3:30 - 4:15 pm  
 Friday, February 21  
 3:15 - 4:00 pm

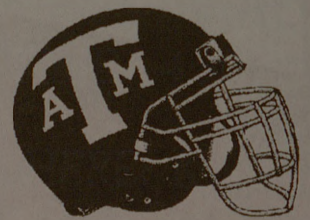
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 161 Bizzell Hall W.  
 (409) 845-0544

### TEXAS A&M FOOTBALL 12TH MAN / WALK-ON ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

DATE: Tuesday, February 25, 1997

TIME: 4:30 PM

WHERE: Kyle Field Stadium Film Room



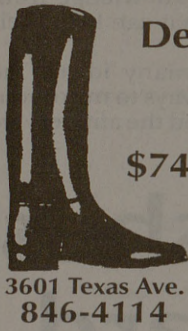
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**FRIDAY**  
 7:00 p.m. -- Rudder Aud.  
 Night of Shorts II:  
 - Clinic E - The Lone Star Letters - The Pepper Pot  
 - Generation of Lies - Alive & Kicking  
 9:30 p.m. -- Rudder Aud.  
 Retroactive \* (Director Louis Mornear available for Q/A)

**SATURDAY**  
 4:00 p.m. -- Rudder Aud.  
 Crispy, Crackers, & Beans \* (Director Robert Fontaine, Jr. available for Q/A)  
 Dream, Dream, Dream (short film)  
 7:00 p.m. -- Rudder Aud.  
 The Devil Takes a Holiday \* (Director Leon Corcos available for Q/A)  
 The Lizard Whomper (short film)  
 9:30 p.m. -- Rudder Aud.  
 Milk & Money \* (Director Michael Bergmann available for Q/A)

**SUNDAY**  
 2:00 p.m. -- Rudder Aud.  
 Lone Star Genre (short film)

\* Filmmakers will be on hand for a question and answer session after a screening of their film.

Accreditation Pass \$35.00 provides access all screenings, special receptions, & press/hospitality room  
 Festival Pass \$25.00 provides access into all screenings  
 Individual Tickets \$ 3.00

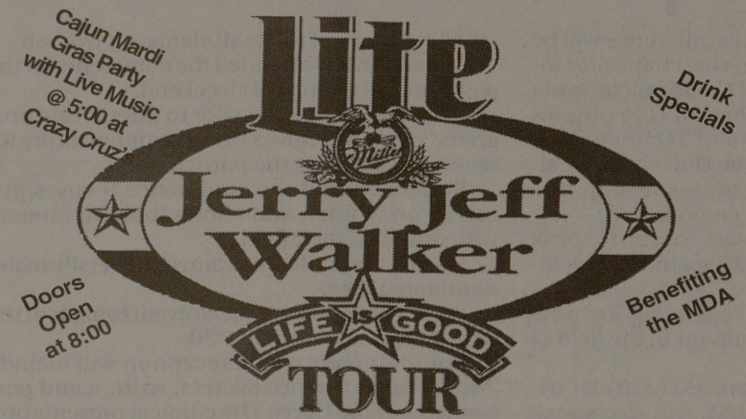
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