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A graduate student panel will offer insight and advice to women on how to survive graduate school, today at 4 p.m. in 342 Zachry. The presentation is sponsored by Women in Engineering, Science and Technology; Women in Science and Technology; and Aggie Women in Computer Science. The panel will be comprised of graduate students in non-traditional fields who have completed one or more years at A&M.

Professor hosts air power lecture

A lecture on air power in the Korean War will be presented at 8 tonight in the Deshler Conference Room (Room 138) of the Sam Houston Sanders Corps Center. The lecture will be given by Dr. Alan R. Millett, a professor of history at Ohio State University who has written several books and magazine articles on military history.

DA attempts to reduce crowding

EDINBURG, Texas (AP) — With Hidalgo County facing possible legal action over its overcrowded jails, the district attorney has instructed his prosecutors to move prisoners through the system more quickly. Last week, state officials said the county could be sued if it does not make progress toward controlling its jail population. More than 700 inmates are housed at the jail, even though the legal limit is 597, officials said.

The state set a Sept. 25 deadline for county officials to demonstrate their intent to bring the population back within legal limits.

On Tuesday, Hidalgo County District Attorney Rene Guerra said he had instructed his assistants to work more closely with police officers to ensure that officers promptly file complaints after bringing offenders to jail.

Federal officers encourage training

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — Federal regulators will set up shop at Union Pacific's headquarters to monitor safety at the nation's largest railroad in response to a system-wide investigation triggered by seven people killed in train collisions since June.

"Until they eliminate death and injury from this railroad, their job is not finished," Federal Railroad Administrator Jolene Molitoris said today.

The agency's report on safety across the railroad's 35,000 miles of track released today found crew fatigue, dispatcher fatigue, defective equipment and intimidation and harassment of employees reporting safety problems.

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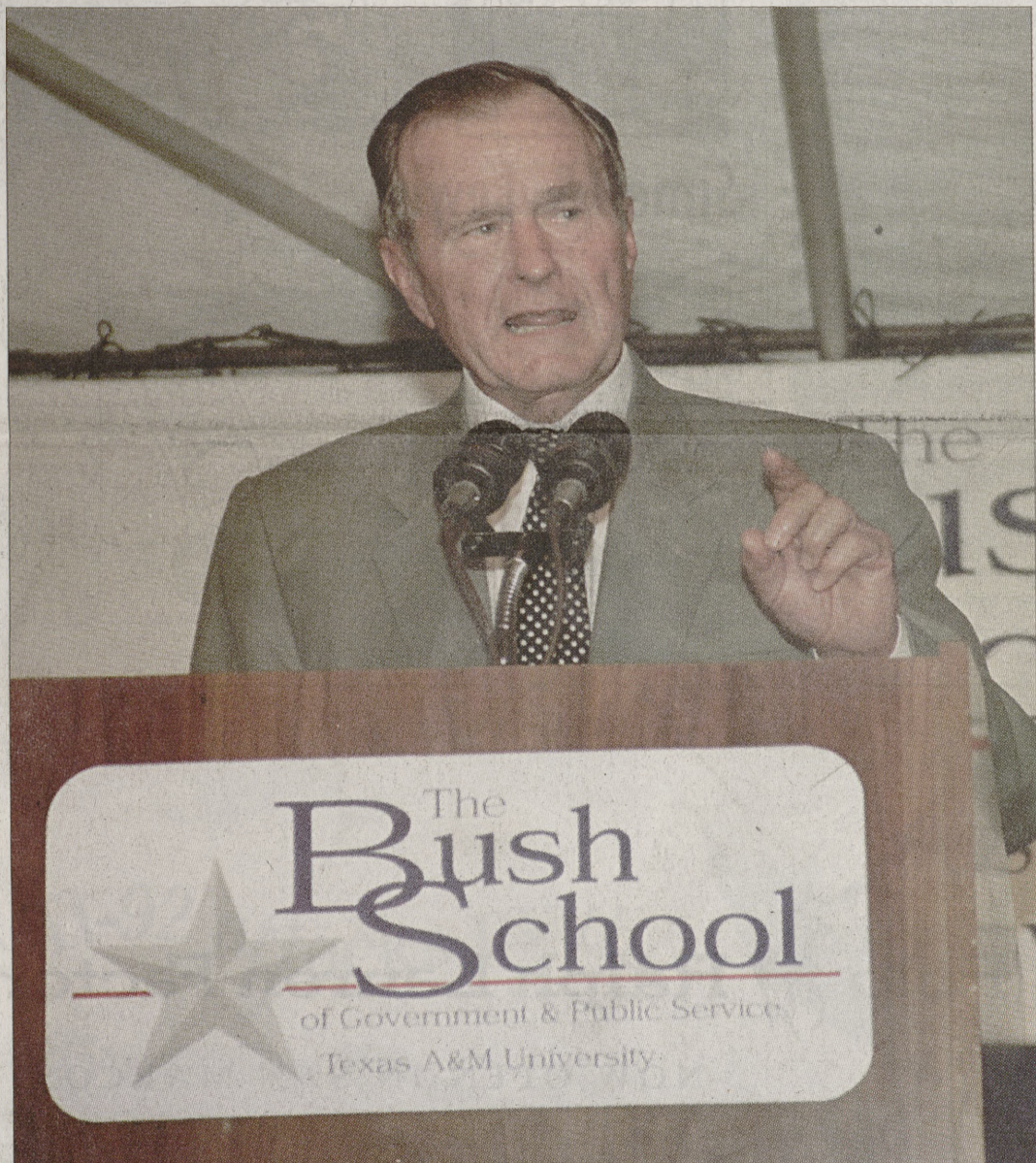
Former president takes on new role

Stories by Joey Jeanette Schlueter

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Former First Lady **Barbara Bush** and former President **George Bush** unveil a bronze bust which will be displayed permanently at the Bush School. The bronze bust of the 41st president is a gift from the Board of Regents member John Lindsey, Class of '44.



Former President **George Bush** discusses his goals for the George Bush School of Government and Public Service at the opening celebration Wednesday afternoon.

Former President George Bush and his son Gov. George W. Bush celebrated the official opening of the George Bush School of Government and Public Service with hundreds of students, faculty and fans yesterday afternoon.

The 41st president said he intends to be involved with the school and its students.

"I look forward to my involvement with this school as much as any work I have ever undertaken," he said. "I hope to come and teach a little and learn a heck of a lot. I hope the Bush School will inculcate to these students and others the importance of public service."

President Bush said his encouragement and guidance came from his father's examples of public service to the community.

"My father's lessons never came through words, but through examples," the former president said. "My father taught us to compete with honor and the importance of giving back to the community."

Gov. Bush introduced his father and spoke of his father's achievements and dedication to the community.

"This school proves that George Herbert Walker Bush was a great president," Gov. Bush said, "and he was a great president because first and foremost, he is a great man."

Gov. Bush said the school shows its charter class the commitment to public service President Bush had.

"Texas A&M is the right destination for this school and the proper place to fulfill the legacy of this good man," the governor said.

Gov. Bush said graduates of the Bush School may someday be given the opportunity to serve the United States.

"Maybe someday we will see a George Bush school graduate in the Oval Office," he said, "or if he or she is lucky, in the Texas Governor's Mansion."

At the closing of the dedication,

President Bush and his wife, Barbara, unveiled a bronze bust of the former president standing one-half times life-size. The bust will be displayed at the school.

Bush said the dedication of the school will not be overshadowed in his mind by the opening of the Bush

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GEORGE BUSH
FORMER U.S. PRESIDENT

Presidential Library and Museum in November. He said the library opening will be more ceremonial and attract more attention, however.

After the dedication, Bush addressed the 19-member charter class in a private session.

Gov. Bush said in a press conference that his father asked the graduate students what their opinions were of politics today, and the students questioned Bush about his experiences in the White House. Gov. Bush said the fall of the Berlin Wall and corruption in politics also were topics during the discussion.

Bush also gave his first homework assignment to the charter class — to make a difference in the community where they live.

As President Bush walked onto the stage, the Aggie Band played a piece of music composed by Lt. Col. Ray E. Toler, director of A&M bands, honoring former presidents.

The Ross Volunteers provided a saber arch for the president and his wife.

Country singer Lyle Lovett, Class of '81, dedicated a song to Bush at a concert with the Austin Symphony Pops in Rudder Auditorium last night that concluded the two-day dedication.

Gov. Bush supports father's dedication to public service

Gov. George W. Bush said he hopes the George Bush School of Government and Public Service focuses not only on developing leadership, but also on promoting ideas to make Texas a better place.

Bush spoke at a press conference yesterday following the dedication of the Bush School.

When asked if he would someday like a presidential library dedicated to him, Gov. Bush answered, "I'm focused on Texas. They

don't have gubernatorial libraries, which is fine by me."

Gov. Bush said A&M was chosen as the site of the school because of the University's reputation and tradition.

"I don't think there was much of a contest," he said. "I think that Texas A&M says loud and clear, 'George Bush — duty, honor and country,' and those are three values that he holds dear and close to his heart. It's a matter of tra-

dition as well, and Texas A&M is a place of tradition."

Gov. Bush said his involvement with the school will concern his role in the Texas government. He invited the 19-member charter class to Austin for a day to see the state government in action.

Gov. Bush said his father plans to be involved with the school through special lectures and visits.

During his private session with the charter class, Gov. Bush said his father questioned students about their feelings toward politics.

"The Washington scene sends confusing messages to a lot of people," Gov. Bush said. "He (President Bush) mentioned a number of people who look at Washington and say, 'I'm not interested.' It's not really quite that hostile."

Gov. Bush said the significance of the school has touched him deeply.

Tokyo court rejects Texas Instruments

TOKYO (AP) — Texas Instruments Inc. said it will keep battling Japanese electronics company Fujitsu Ltd. to protect a computer-chip patent after losing an appeals-court decision Wednesday.

The Tokyo High Court upheld an August 1994 lower-court ruling that Fujitsu had not violated Texas Instruments' patent for integrated circuits.

The High Court said Fujitsu's integrated circuit design differed from that of Texas Instruments, and thus no infringement had occurred.

Texas Instruments said it plans to appeal the ruling to Japan's Supreme Court.

Though Texas Instruments' U.S. patent expired in 1981, the company was awarded a Japanese patent for the technology in 1989, 29 years after first applying. It expires in 2001.

College considers off-campus courses

Elementary education majors may participate in classrooms before student teaching

By JENARA KOCKS
Staff writer

Elementary education majors at Texas A&M soon may be required to take courses at Bryan-College Station elementary school campuses to get hands-on experience in the classroom.

Dr. David W. David, a professor of educational curriculum and instruction at A&M, said the College of Education is working to get approval for a program which would give elementary education majors an opportunity to work in class-

rooms before student teaching.

David said the program, called the Professional Development School (PDS), is a cooperative effort between A&M and Bryan-College Station elementary schools. Elementary school teachers and A&M professors teach certain classes to education majors at the elementary schools. The A&M students then help elementary teachers in their classrooms.

David said the program gives A&M students a chance to build on what they have already learned in the classroom.

"It is an opportunity for teacher-educators

candidates to be taught in the environment in which they will someday be working," David said. "It's a way of bridging the gap between theory and practice."

He said College of Education professors have taught classes to A&M students at Crockett Elementary School in Bryan and students have worked in classrooms since 1994.

David said this year Rock Prairie Elementary School in College Station also is participating in the program.

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