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National Geographic editor displays photos

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The Battalion

William L. Allen, editor-in-chief of National Geographic, said in a speech Tuesday the magazine has been a trailblazer in photography since its founding and is a showcase for the world's greatest photography.

Allen spoke to more than 550 people at the Presidential Conference Center Auditorium to kick off Student Research Week, which recognizes students' contributions to research at Texas A&M.

Allen said National Geographic photographers often face perilous conditions — some have been mauled by gorillas, bitten by sharks, stabbed, beaten, shot at and arrested.

"What keeps [photographers] ticking are the precious few wondrous moments when everything comes together and you capture the perfect image," he said. "It's a magical feeling that somehow makes it all worthwhile."

Allen said it is often that photographers take 40,000 photographs and only 20 of them are used.

Allen said National Geographic has made significant contributions to photography and was the first magazine to be fully illustrated, to use underwater color photographs and to use underground photography.

Allen said one of the goals of the National Geographic Society is to educate, and he said it is working to increase knowledge of geography. He cited results of a poll that said one in three Americans could not locate the Pacific Ocean on an unmarked map of the world.

"We want to continue showing people the world," he said. "There is no higher legacy than to leave the generation with a better world than we found it."

Allen's speech was followed by a presentation that highlighted photographs that have appeared in National Geographic.

A native of Tyler, Texas, Allen joined the staff of National Geographic in 1969 as a summer intern and served at various editorial positions before being promoted to editor-in-chief in January 1995. Allen said as a child he used to wallpaper his room with maps



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Allen said National Geographic always wanted to work for education.

Following the speech, Allen answered questions from audience members and gave advice to students.

"If you prepare yourself for anything, the opportunities are there," he said. "It's simpler than taking advantage of the world."

Anneliese Reinemeyer, president of the Graduate Student Council, welcomed Allen and said National Geographic Society amplifies the goals of exploration and discovery.

"It's the desire to push the boundaries between the known and the unknown," she said.

DEBATE

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Appleton said the group was short to campus because of the importance of sharing the gospel.

"What he says is not to condemn people," Appleton said. "The only way to save students is through Jesus Christ."

The A&M Christian Fellowship writes in a handout that Jesus Christ is the way to God — and He is the only way. All who approach God through Him will be saved. Likewise, all who don't must face a holy God and the judgment for their sins.

Short explained to crowds of people who believe God is their deity will be saved. He said he loves Jesus more than his wife and children, and the highest duty is to love God.

Ben Braley, a senior industrial distribution major and an avid supporter of Christianity, rather they are tactics.

"I'm not a fan of people who come out here and do that," Braley said. "belittle everyone who does not believe what he does."

Jason Romero, president of Agnostic and Atheist Students and a senior computer science major, said Short is insulting and not discuss important issues.

"He skirts a lot of questions and acts in a very cantankerous, childlike manner," Romero said. "I do not have a problem with him having his own beliefs, but how he treats people."

Nelson Chandler, a member of the Aggie Catholic Student Association and a senior computer science major, said Short is not a true Christian.

"He thinks we're all going to hell," Chandler said. "He doesn't really speak about true Christianity."

WOMEN'S WEEK

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presented to outstanding women on campus at the luncheon. Kelly Rity, deputy Corps of Cadets commander and a senior journalism major, won the student award. Rity said she was honored to receive it.

"I think it is wonderful and encouraging to see so many women support other women," she said. "They look at women in their day lives and say 'good job, you're really nice to recognize women doing things around campus.'"

Dr. Austin Daily, director of Professional Programs in Accounting, Financial Management and Information Systems, won the award. Daily educates students about women's roles in the workplace, which led to the establishment of the Women's Leadership Forum of the Lowry Mays School and Graduate School of Business.

The administrator award was presented to Mary Miller, assistant vice-president of administration, who worked to make the A&M Center a reality.

The staff award went to Elkins Nesheim, coordinator of Gender Issues and Educational Services. Nesheim has worked to strengthen women's programs on campus.

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