



"This may look like a strange sign to be handing on my door, but I don't have any room inspections to worry about!"

They're After Us Again!

Watch out, freshmen! The Rebels at the University of Texas at Arlington have announced that this is the year of the Superbonfire. At least that's what the homecoming bonfire has been called by Tom Sheppard, Rebel Rouser club president.

A UTA bonfire committee chairman boasted that "We plan to beat A&M this year," and "we expect some trouble from both Aggies and TCU." We can't speak for TCU but it seems Aggies are too busy studying to bother with burning 15 feet high and 40 yards in diameter—maybe it fell down. But UTA bonfire committee hopefuls say today's bonfire will top A&M at more than 100 feet.

While A&M's impressive pyramid of flame borders on a heavy lumberjack operation, UTA spokesmen refer to their project as "wood collecting contest" in which eight fraternities and the men's dormitories compete for four trophies.

Two of the most humorous aspects of the UTA attempt is a request for "the combined help of the student body to guard the thing those last two nights." In addition, the Rebel Rousers "will offer a 'spirit stick' to the sorority and the girls' dorm floor which provides the best entertainment for the guardians of the wood pile."

One Aggie wrote The Battalion and observed that "maybe with a two-week work period and the cooperation of all the loyal garbage collectors in Arlington, they can pose some sort of threat."

But like the Abominable Snowman which is often talked about but seldom seen, someone better get a picture of this colossal woodpile before it passes into history as merely abominable.

We offer no trophies to our freshmen or upper classmen, and we have yet to award a spirit stick, but all competitors are invited to come to A&M to see what a real bonfire looks like.

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Put It Up! Take It Down!

This isn't the year of the horns. This isn't even the year of the bumper stickers.

This is the year of the gross football signs on the dorms.

The competition this year is not only among the outfits to see who can gross out the others, but also to see who can get their sign up before the Authority comes along and censors it.

Each outfit has thus appointed an officer-in-charge of signs to see that the sign is gross. For this, they designate someone who himself is gross. So far, none of the outfits have had trouble filling the position.

To counter this move, the Trigon came up with a GROSS (Grand Reformer Of Sinful Signs) officer. He runs around with a four-foot stamp and stamps CENSORED on all those that don't meet the standards.

Corps Staff, not to be outdone, has the Chaplain go around and censor the signs before the GROSS officer gets there.

Meanwhile, the various Brigade and Wing staffs have not been exactly sitting around on their cans. They have THEIR men going around censoring before the Chaplain gets there.

This is what's known as military one-upmanship.

And who gets caught in the middle of it all?

The poor fish.

They design a sign. The officer-in-charge comes around and tells them to do it over; it's not gross enough. So they make a new one, get his approval and start to put it up.

The Brigade or Wing staff officer comes by and says it's too gross. Don't put it up.

But who ever listens to staff officers? They put it up anyway. The Corps Chaplain arrives on the scene. "Take it down."

They take it down. Out comes the Officer-in-charge.

"FRESHMEN!!! GET THAT SIGN BACK UP!"

Back up goes the sign. They get it tied down. Out of a fourth stoop window leans the GROSS officer.

STAMP!!

Down comes the sign.

So now the outfits are taking a new approach. Last week one outfit's sign said "APPROVED BY WING STAFF. APPROVED BY CORPS STAFF. APPROVED BY THE SHED."

Another had Sarge in a skirt,

holding a megaphone and yelling "RAH RAH RAH."

This trend will continue until the signs become so chaste that A&M will start losing its masculine image and the Trigon will come out with the following directive:

"Because of the damage to A&M's masculine image, all unit commanders are hereby directed to instruct their men in the art of gross sign-making."

The cycle is now complete, and once again begins its downhill roll.

Bulletin Board

TODAY

The Midland Hometown Club will meet in Room 2A of the Memorial Student Center at 7:30 p.m.

The Port Arthur Hometown Club will meet in the Gay Room of the YMCA at 7:30 p.m.

The Corpus Christi Hometown Club will make plans for a Christmas party at 7:30 p.m. in Room 3C of the Memorial Student Center.

The Marshall Hometown Club will meet in Room 3B of the Memorial Student Center.

The Deep East Texas Hometown Club will meet in the Memorial Student Center at 7:30 p.m.

The LaGrange Hometown Club will meet in Dormitory 18, Room 223, at 6:30 p.m.

The Fort Bend County Hometown Club will meet in Room 3A of the Memorial Student Center at 7:30 p.m.

The Galveston Island Hometown Club will meet in the Art Room of the Memorial Student Center after Yell Practice.

The Williamson County Hometown Club will plan a Thanksgiving dance at 7:30 p.m. in the Second Floor Lobby of the Memorial Student Center.

The Mid-County Hometown Club will meet in Room 2D of the Memorial Student Center after Yell Practice.

The Dallas Hometown Club will make plans for a Thanksgiving party at 7:30 p.m. in the Assembly Room of the Memorial Student Center.

A Senior Mechanical Engineering Seminar Program featuring D. R. Ward, senior vice president for Brown and Root, Inc., will be presented at 10 a.m. in Room 303, Fermier Hall. Ward's subject will be the search for oil in Cook Inlet, Alaska.

The Victoria Hometown Club will meet in the YMCA, Room 204, at 8 p.m.

The Wharton County Hometown Club will discuss a Christmas party at 7:45 p.m. in Room 2A of the Memorial Student Center.

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