



"Seriously, why couldn't this be used as a proving ground for a manufacturer of deodorants?"

Listen up

Student group questions Bonfire

An Open Letter to the Student Body of Texas A&M:

Dear Students:
Primarily because of the communication system, man is no longer in an isolated community; he is part of one large ecosystem—earth. No longer can an individual or institution act separately without the evaluation of other men and institutions.

Texas A&M University is a leader in environmental research. A&M graduates, who are aware of their world, are exemplary individuals and should be commended. But Texas A&M also provides an example of environmental disregard and ignorance in their annual bonfire to all individuals aware of the growing environmental crisis.

The South Central Region Student Council on Pollution and Environment (SCOPE) questions this example of destruction of our national resources. It is SCOPE's objective that all academic institutions teach their students positive resource management.

The environmental crisis is no longer an ivory tower affair. We all have to be involved in the saving of our earth.

SCOPE feels there should be some alternative to the bonfire in which constructive spirit is exemplified.

tion and of such duration as are, or may tend to be, injurious to or adversely affect human health or welfare, animal life, vegetation or property, or as to interfere with the normal use and enjoyment of animal life, vegetation, or property."

Certainly the large clouds of smoke and sparks billowing over the houses south of campus tend to adversely affect the well-being and the property of the residents in two ways. These airborne sparks have caused small fires in the past and the settling of soot and ashes on homes and vegetation most certainly has an adverse effect.

- Emil Pela '71
- Ken Banning '72
- Rod Lanham '72
- Ed Huckaby '73
- Joel Magid '73

Editor:
Whenever someone is seeking an office, people, particularly students, would like to know what the candidate believes, what he would do if elected. Since I am running for vice president, and

because there has not been an opportunity to meet many of the members of my class, I thought I should take this opportunity to write an open letter explaining what I believe my office would entail and what we, as a Freshman Class, should try to do.

No particular duties are ascribed to the vice president in the university regulations. He must, of course, represent his class along with the president, and he must be in charge of class meetings in case of the president's absence. If these were the only duties performed by the vice president, the office would be, and often is, an inactive office. However, I believe that the vice president should do more than this.

To be more specific, it is well known that students are concerned about conditions around them, that they are concerned enough to take action. Therefore, I favor encouraging the interested freshmen in each dormitory on campus to choose a service project, either on campus or in the Bryan-College Station area.

would be to help plan projects, to help gain approval for them, and to aid any way I can in their execution. I would not, I will not, be an inactive vice president.

I do hope to have an opportunity to serve you as vice president. The runoff election will be Thursday. Don't miss your chance to vote.

Don Webb

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TONIGHT
Young Democrats will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Coffee Loft in the UCCF Building.
Sophomore Class will meet at 8 p.m. in the Chemistry lecture room (room 100) to form committees for Sophomore Weekend.
Host and Fashion Committee will hold a \$5-and-under display of Christmas gifts from 7-10 p.m. in the Ballroom of the MSC.
El Paso Hometown Club will meet at 8 p.m. in the lounge between dorms 10-12 to plan for the Christmas party and make arrangements for rides home.
Agricultural Economics Students Wives Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. John Nichols, 1511 Barak Lane in Bryan. The Castilian Wig and Beauty Salon will present a program after the meeting.
Laredo Hometown Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. in room 108 of the Academic Building to select a band for the Christmas dance.
San Antonio Hometown Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. in room 145 of the Physics Building to

make final plans for the Thanksgiving party.
THURSDAY
San Angelo-West Texas Hometown Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. in room 3A of the MSC to discuss the Aggie Dance and distribute tickets for it.
Austin Hometown Club will meet at 8 p.m. in room 2C of the MSC to have pictures for The Aggie taken.
Houston Hometown Club will meet at 8 p.m. in the Birch Room of the MSC to distribute tickets for the Christmas party.
Panhandle Area Hometown Club will meet at 6:30 p.m. at Ralph's Pizza at East Gate.
FRIDAY
Society of Iranian Students will meet at 6:30 p.m. in the Birch Room of the MSC to hear R. Partovi speak on "Social Changes in Iran."
Women's Social Club will meet at 2 p.m. in the Ballroom of the MSC. A panel of women will tell how prejudice touches the lives of a Catholic, a Jew, a Negro, a Mexican-American and a white Protestant.

- Kenneth Main
- New Mexico State
- Harry Hall
- UTEP
- Kimon T. Bird
- UT at Austin
- James G. Stanley
- Arkansas-Tech
- John Bryant
- SMU
- Willie Cooper
- Arkansas-Tech
- Murray Fleming
- Oklahoma State
- Peter Dunsavage
- Texas A&M

The letterhead this came on lists the office of the Federal Water Quality Administration in Dallas as a return address. —Ed.

Editor:
Tomorrow the Freshman Class will hold runoff elections to fill several positions. These are positions of tremendous responsibility. The future of the Class of '74 will be determined to a larger extent than you may realize. In order to be great the Class of '74 must elect people of responsibility and leadership. T. Mark Blakemore is an exceptionally competent, capable and responsible leader. He can lead your class and help to make it successful in every way. Elect T. Mark Blakemore president, Class of '74. It's your class, make it great.
Mark E. Jarvis

Editor:
The custom of Bonfire has had many charges leveled at it these past few days, but no one has mentioned the possibility of it being illegal. A reading of the Texas Clean Air Act of 1969 reveals the following warning: "Except as authorized by a rule, regulation or variance of other order of the board no person may cause, suffer, allow or permit the emission of an air contaminant or the performance of any activity which causes or contributes to, or which will cause or contribute to, a condition of air pollution" (Section 4.01). To our knowledge A&M has received no such variance.
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15 (12)	Sesame Street (PBS)	6:30	3 (5) Courtship of Eddie's Father
3:00	3 (5) Gomer Pyle	15 (12)	Campus and Community Today
3:30	3 (5) Town Talk	7:00	3 (5) Danny Thomas
15 (12)	University Instructional	15 (12)	NET Playhouse
4:00	3 (5) Dark Shadows	7:30	3 (5) Governor and JJ
4:30	3 (5) Bewitched	8:00	3 (5) Johnny Cash
15 (12)	What's New (NET)	8:30	15 (12) Homewood (PBS)
5:00	3 (5) General Hospital	9:00	3 (5) Hawaii Five-O
15 (12)	Misterogers' Neighborhood (NET)	9:30	15 (12) Flick Out (PBS)
5:30	3 (5) CBS News	10:00	3 (5) Final News
15 (12)	Sesame Street (PBS)	10:30	3 (5) Dan August
		11:30	3 (5) Richard Diamond

IF YOU'RE ON MIDWEST VIDEO'S CABLE YOU AREN'T GOING TO MISS ANYTHING. (adv)

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