

Listen up

CADET SLOUCH

by Jim Earle

CDO asking for student help



"I was wondering how long it would take for this to happen!"

Input

As this issue is being distributed around the campus the elections for the student body government and Civilian Student Council are still in progress. Quite likely, the outcome of the elections will not be known for another day.

It is in this period of limbo that we should consider not what the outcome of the elections will mean to the students, but what the students will mean to those elected.

This is something that is almost totally overlooked in almost any form of government. The officers are elected to represent the students. And, most importantly, they must answer to the students.

They hardly ever do, though. By this we don't mean that they are intentionally ignoring the students, but that they really don't know just how the students feel about things.

It all stems from a bad lack of communications. The student officers rarely go out through the dorms or apartments and try to determine what they are thinking about. In the same fashion, the students rarely hound out their elected representative and tell him what they are thinking about.

It is an omnipresent problem with any government, but most especially at this university. There seems to be some relief coming in the new constitution of the student government, but that provides for representation on a one to 500 ratio. Realistically speaking, the problem will still exist.

This means that students will have to change their attitudes toward student government. They will have to be the ones to contact their representatives and tell them what they are thinking. Granted, it will be a pain, but it is the only way it will work.

Students are the only ones who can make it work, no matter who is elected.

Welcome ACLU

In an unexpected move, the office of the Dean of Students has recognized an on-campus chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union.

It is good that they have done so, even if they did take their time in doing it. We feel that a campus ACLU chapter can serve the students, faculty and staff of this university well.

Traditionally known as "liberal," the ACLU has been just as traditionally unwanted in TAMU's hazy and conservative atmosphere. The recognition of the chapter shows that things are indeed changing for the better. At least it shows that certain administrators are becoming more open-minded in their involvement with the students.

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Editor:

On this campus exists one of the most meaningful and rewarding organizations for expressions of consideration toward our fellow man. This organization is known as the "Community Development Organization." It is an organization that, through students who care about poverty and the less fortunate, offers various types of community improvement programs to a chosen community. At present this organization is operating in the Prairie View Heights area. This is an area located Northeast of A&M off Highway 6 and University Drive. In due time this organization plans to cover the whole Brazos County area.

The types of services that this MSC organization provides includes the following areas:

- Law—
 - Legal counseling
 - Bail information
- Politics—
 - Voter registration
 - Candidate information
 - Transportation to the polls
- Economics—
 - Home improvement loans information
 - Income tax services
 - Purchasing programs for food and other merchandise
- Architectural—
 - Plans for homes and remodeling
 - Rent information
 - Home improvement assistance
- Education—
 - Tutorial programs
 - Guest lecturers
- Employment—
 - Location of possible positions and training programs
- Day Care Center—
 - Run by members of community and students
- Recreation—
 - Games

Picnics

Organized sports activities

As you can see, CDO covers a wide variety of activities for you, the involved student, to participate in.

Let me make one point. I feel that there are a number of students on this campus who care and would like to do something to better someone's condition in life. It may not consist of one of the programs listed above. Involvement may mean just going into the community and being a friend or a big brother or sister. Whatever the case, CDO is a means through which one can achieve something, small or large, that lends a helping hand to someone less fortunate.

If you, the students of Texas A&M, are interested in doing something to help someone, attend one of our meetings. Our next meeting will be on April 17,

Monday, at 6:00 p.m. in room 309 of the Architecture building. For further information call 845-2101.

Remember, CDO needs you... and you need CDO!

Vergel L. Gay, Jr.
Chairman

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Editor:

We are writing about the recent article concerning the Aggie Sweetheart. Since you were at the Thursday Student Senate meeting, we cannot understand how you misinterpreted the voting. The resolution stated that the student body, in the upcoming elections, would vote as to whether or not the Sweetheart should come from candidates from TWU and A&M or from A&M coeds only.

You also stated that this issue was brought up again because of opposition from TWU. We also wish to clear up this matter. The

petition was started at A&M by Aggies, not TWU. TWU was present at the meeting because they wished for the brother-sister relationship to continue no matter how the Student Senators voted.

Bruce T. Cordova '72
John B. Bristow '74

I did not misinterpret the voting; you misinterpreted the article. It said that "the Student Senate also decided to hold a referendum on the Aggie Sweetheart question." A referendum is a vote by the students. Try using a dictionary next time.

Aggies brought up the issue as far as the petition is concerned. If, however, the Tessies had not been upset we doubt that anything would have happened. Because of this we can say the Tessies brought up the issue. —Ed.

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AFTER ALL, YOU REALLY THOUGHT YOU WERE FIGHTING TO SAVE HIS LIFE..

THAT WAS NO ORDINARY CAT, EITHER

TWO HUNDRED POUNDS!

ARE YOU GOING TO KEEP ON KEEPING ON READING "WAR AND PEACE"?

I'VE HAD THE WAR, NOW I NEED THE PEACE!

By Charles M. Schulz

TRADE WITH LOU - MOST AGGIES DO

'73 ENGINEER STUDENTS

Elect **DAN ZIVN**

SENATOR, College of Engineering

PALACE

HELD OVER 1:10 - 3:15 - 5:20 - 7:25

Sean Connery in "DIAMONDS ARE FOREVER"

CAMP

NOW SHOWING

Something is afoot... Something very odd... wet... and very...

"Let's Scam Jessica To Death"

TONITE - FIESTA "LOS TERRORES"

QUEEN

TONITE - FIESTA "LOS TERRORES"

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EAST SCREEN AT 7:00 PM \$5 DOLLARS WITH WARREN BEATTY

At 9:15 p.m.

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At 9:15 p.m. "DIARY OF A MAD HOUSEWIFE"