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Every sci-fi tidbit from around the universe seemed to be on display at the

Aggiecon Friday, keeping dealers and buyers busy during the convention. Aggiecon lures fans of all persuasions

By CHRIS PICCIONE

The Trekkies were here, the pider-Man fans were here, even people wearing buttons saying, "I'm Friend of Darth Vadar" were here. ggiecon Nine brought these and er science fiction and fantasy fans gether for a convention over the eekend, March 30-April 2.

The word "con" itself means a get ogether of fans to promote science ction, said Stephen Poe, a member a Texas A&M University science tion organization called Crab

The Texas A&M Science-Fictionantasy committee, Cepheid Variable, hosts a con every year on campus that has become known as ne Aggiecon

Cons are held all over the world out the nationally known Aggiecon one of the biggest in the South-

Dealers (shop owners, bookstore owners, or science fiction collectors) rom all over the Southwest filled the Memorial Student Center ballroom Thursday through Sunday to sell their wares. Some of the more popular items for sale were old mic books, Spiderman and the Fly posters, and Farrah duck prints (pictures of ducks with Farrah Fawcetts' face on them), buttons promoting Star Wars and science fiction

an magazines (fanzines). "We deal to support our habits because we are collectors primarily," said Louise Seguin, science fiction dealer from San Antonio. "We

collector-dealers can't afford large cons. As it is we spend all our profit buying things while we're here."

Seguin paid \$27 to set up three tables of Star Wars paraphernalia. Other cons run by private individuals are more expensive. D-con in Dallas costs dealers \$30 per table. Seguin said she expected to make

about \$300 at Aggiecon.
"Cons are fun, but they are an awful lot of work," Poe said.

This year Aggiecon included an art display and contest, science fiction writers seminars, daytime and nighttime films such as: "2001: A Space Odyessey," "Slaughterhouse-Five," and "Wizards in addition to the dealers' room. Aggiecon was limited to selling 2,500 tickets and sold out both Friday and Saturday nights. Two types of tickets were sold. The four-day pass included admission to everything, and a admission to everything, and a single-day pass allowed admittance into all the activities scheduled for one specific day.

Although the dealers' room was crowded with members of the Aggie "fandom" including fantasy buffs dressed like knights and wizards, one comic book dealer, Joel Simon, said he didn't sell as much as expected because few children at-

Joe Pumilia, guest author at Aggiecon said, "I've come to six or seven Aggiecons. As far as I can tell, this is the best con for my business.

Charges read today in Coleman murder trial

Coleman, 19, has pleaded "not guilty" to charges of murder in the January 1977 shooting death of former Texas A&M Uni-

versity instructor Lawrence T. Baugh.
The prosecution, represented by District Attorney Roland M. Searcy and Assistant District Attorney Larry Catlin, rested their case for the state Friday

A ballistics expert testified Thursday that it was impossible to state conclusively that the pistol recovered near Baugh's body fired the bullet that killed him.

Charles Kornegay, one of Coleman's co-workers at the International Furniture

By MICHELLE SCUDDER

Three Texas Aggie Band juniors were selected March 28 as drum majors for

Larry Haag of New Braunfels is Head Drum Major, Mike McCartney of New Braunfels is Artillery Drum Major, and Connie Williford of Seagraves is Infantry

The new drum majors will direct the

band for the first time during the Maroon

and White game April 22, and their first outdoor performance will be the second

time around during Final Review, May 6.

During drum major tryouts March 27 and 28 each of the nine band members

that tried out directed the band in the

band hall, and led them through a drill on

judged upon their physical and mechanical abilities, character, leadership, and their ability to give and take commands," Lynn Balinas, 1977-78 Artillery drum major

During the ceremony March 28 when

the announcement was made, the incom-

ing drum majors were presented with their batons by the 1977-78 drum majors and an item passed down to each new drum major. In addition to his baton Haag

received a pair of red socks, McCartney a

directing the band on the field, and each week explaining the drills to the band and

seeing that it is executed, with the supervision of the band director, said Lt. Col. Joe T. Haney, Aggie band director.

Each drum major also is responsible for

charting one drill during the year, which is

Bugle Rank, the 12 seniors that com-

prise the lead rank in the band, for 1978-

79 will include: Doug Coats, Robert Fields, Ron Greenwade, Dennis Hallaron, Mike Jechow, Will McCarrell, Joe Ramirez, Mark Rayfield, Lee Schockley,

Paul Shannon, Greg Slack, and Steve

Drum majors' responsibilities include

pair of spurs, and Williford a belt buckle

The drum major candidates were

Band selects

drum majors

for 1978-79

Drum Major.

By KAY WALLACE
Charges will be formally read today by 85th District Court Judge John M. Barron Sr. to the five-man, seven-woman jury in the murder trial of defendant Walter Joe Coleman.

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Coleman, 19 has pleeded "not guilty" and I don't know what he'll do.

Kornegay said on Jan. 12, 1977 at 7 p.m., Coleman called him at home and excitedly said, "I really did it." Kornegay asked him what he did. Coleman said, "You'll read about it in the papers," and asked Kornegay to come pick im up at a convenience store on Beck

Kornegay said he drove to where Coleman said he would be but did not see him. He said he then heard Coleman call out to him. He described Coleman as being pale, shaking and nervous.

Kornegay said he drove Coleman to Coleman's girlfriend's house between 7:30 and 7:45 p.m. He said he told Coleman he did not ever want to hear from him again.

state's evidence. Defense attorneys Fred Davis and Kent Caperton asked for a recess to review the statement.

The jury was dismissed and Davis called College Station Dectective Bobby Yeager back to the stand. Yeager testified he had informed Davis and Caperton during their investigation that the gun's ownership had been traced to a 1970 sale to a Houston Texas Ranger. He said he did not tell Davis or Caperton about Kornegay's

Davis argued that College Station police had withheld evidence and that on those grounds, a mistrial should be declared.

Judge Barron denied the motion on grounds that "the purpose of this court is to ascertain truth in this matter."

The jury returned to the courtroom, and the state rested its case.

Coleman's former employer, former roommate and former girlfriend were called by Davis to testify. The three witnesses' testimony coincided with Cole-

and after Baugh's death.

Davis called Dr. Vincent DiMaio, a forensic pathologist from Dallas County,

DiMaio concluded that circumstances in Coleman's statement about how the gun was fired were consistent with the autopsy

report and type of pistol.

DiMaio said it was possible for a person wielding a pistol like the one recovered to hit someone with the barrel from behind and have the gun fire as Coleman's state-

In cross-examination, DiMaio said that although consistent, the circumstances did not necessarily have to happen as Coleman's statement described for the bullet to have taken the path it did.

Coleman declined to take the stand as

Davis and Caperton rested the case for the

defense at 3:20 p.m.
Judge Barron ordered the jury to not discuss the case and adjourned court until 9 a.m. today

Student election ballot

STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT

Bobby Tucker Jeb Hensarling

V.P. ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

V. P. EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

Joe Beall V. P. FINANCE

V. P. RULES AND REGS.

V. P. STUDENT SERVICES

Judy Rippel Kevin "Potsy" Patterso

STUDENT SENATORS COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE (GRAD)

Candy DesRosiers SENIOR Johnny Lane Leroy Startz Terri Gorden Jerry Risner JUNIOR Doug Nesmith

COLL. BUSINESS (GRAD)

COLL EDUCATION (GRAD)

Mavis Rollins SENIOR Patty Johnson Charles Restive JUNIOR

SOPHOMORE

COLL. ARCH. (A1-LARGE)

Tony Scardino Charles Stoviak Roger Cooner

COLL. ENGINEERING (GRAD)

SENIOR Mike McCutched Rich Westlake Steve Hageman JUNIOR

COLL. ENGINEERING

SOPHOMORE

Bob Lanham Ted Etchison Jerry Glasow Tami Steen AT-LARGE Bruce (Fish) Hook Jimmy Willett Matt Henderson

COLL. GEOSCIENCE AT-LARGE LIBERAL ARTS (GRAD)

SENIOR Rob Poole IUNIOR

MOODY COLLEGE AT-LARGE

COLL. SCIENCE (AT-LARGE)

ORPS (SENIOR

Steve London Mark Tilton JUNIOR Pete Greaves Carlos Ortiz Jeff Mason Dau Layton David Hagan Paul A. Gulig Red, Income

SOPHOMORE

KRUEGER-MOSHER

ASTON DUNN (TAY
Sean Radolph
Eric Langford
Paul Bettencourt
FOWLER
Kathy Elder
Cheryl Kucherka

HART LUGETT PURYEAR

WALTON/MCGINNIS/SCH_CAIN/HOTARD MOSES/MOORE/CROCKER DAVIS-GARY

UNIV. APARTMENTS OFF CAMPUS (GRAD)

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\$11,500 in March to the Brazos Cadets raise

By MICHELLE SCUDDER

One thousand nine hundred pair of combat boots arched west to the Brazos River Saturday as the Texas &M University Corps of Cadets participated in their secnd annual March to the Brazos to raise money for the

Their destination, a large open grassy field 6.3 miles west f campus seemed literally covered with cadets in their treen fatigue pants, dotted only by various bright colored utfit T-shirts, as the cadets participated in competitive vents beneath sunshining skys.

The Corps gathered \$11,500 in pledges which will be esented to the March of Dimes April 13, The 13-mile round trip walk began at 7:30 a.m. at the Corps Quadrangle and ended where FM 60 crosses the river at a large open field.

After reaching their destination at 9:30 a.m. the com-

panies competed in three events: tug-of-war, three-legged race, and army-stretcher race. Lunch was provided by

The corps will present first, second, and third place guidor streamers to companies that excelled in fund raising, competitive events, and number of members who collected pledges. The presentation will be made on Parents' Day,

Also on Parents' Day, the Brazos Valley March of Dimes will present the Battered Boot Award, a bronzed boot, to the company that raised the most money.

Duffie, chairman of the March to the Brazos said. One freshman in Company P-2 gathered \$394 in pledges, Duffie

The national March of Dimes officer in New York sent a film crew to cover the event. The film will be to promote fund raising through walkathons and other sponsored events, said Ken Mallard, March of Dimes Chairman.

Duffie said the publicity Texas A&M and the Corps re ceived was extensive. "We even made the front of the Houston Post," he said.

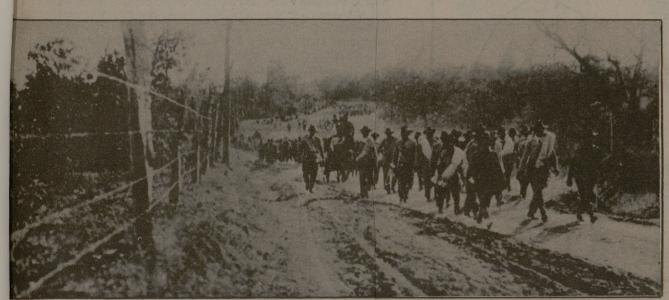
The exposure will help the Corps in recruiting freshmen and reaching former students, Duffie said. "During the spring we don't have many Corps activities.

March to the Brazos is the major Corps event of the Spring," Duffie said.

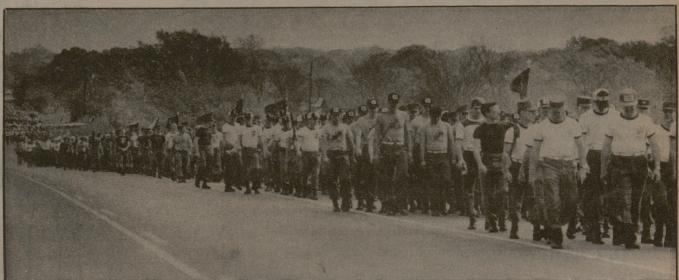
The March to the Brazos to raise money for the March of Dimes is reminiscent of something that was done in the early days of the Corps.

"In the early days of the Corps the March to the Brazos was done every April 1 no matter what day it fell on to keep students from playing pranks on campus," Duffie said. They actually went out and spent the night at the River, he con-

"The only difference between the 1914 march and now is that we are taking pledges. They used the march then as a preventitive measure, but we are using it as a means of raising money and gaining positive exposure for the Corps



Saturday's March to the Brazos was nothing new for the Corps of Cadets, as this 1914 picture shows. Back then, the Corps would spend the night on the banks of the river so that no one would play April Fool's Day pranks on campus. The present day march, however, has another purpose:



to raise money for the March of Dimes. Cadets raised \$11,500 this year from the 6.3-mile Battalion photo (right) by Susan Webb. Left, courtesy Corps of Cadets.