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12th man ready to stand by Kyle Field

By PETE HALE
Campus Reporter

A life-size statue of E. King Gill, the original "Twelfth Man," has been completed and will be presented to Texas A&M University during Military Weekend, said Paul Gulig, chairman of the Class of '80 Gift Committee.

The bronze monument will be placed outside the gates at the north end of Kyle Field, behind the Aggie Club offices.

Mark Murphy, class of '80 president, will make the dedication March 1 at 9:30 a.m. A special guest

at the ceremony will be Gill's niece and closest relative, Mrs. C. B. Nicholas of Pipe Creek.

Gill, class of '24, gained fame at Aggieland in 1922 when he was called from the stands to suit up as a reserve during the Dixie Classic football game in Dallas. Coach Dana X. Bibles' team had suffered numerous injuries and Bible thought he might need an extra player.

Although Gill never actually entered the game, his willingness to aid his team sparked the Aggie tradition of students standing during football games to show their support as the

Twelfth Man.

The idea for the statue commemorating Gill and the Twelfth Man originated with the class council in the fall of 1978. Money has been raised through class dances, T-shirt sales and other class projects.

Artist G. "Pat" Foley of Houston was chosen to do the sculpture. Foley is also the creator of the "Planned for the Future" figures in front of the Memorial Student Center, and the bronze eagle in Spence Park.

Gulig said the final payment on the \$14,000 statue will be made this week. The granite base will cost

\$1,054 and three plaques describing Gill and the Twelfth Man cost about \$400. Ground preparation done by the University cost the class about \$6,000, bringing the total cost to about \$21,000.

Gulig said the class expects to finish payments for the monument with money raised by the upcoming Ring Dance.

"Everything looks good so far," Gulig said. "The statue is finished, the base will be ready by the middle of February, and the plaques are already here."

The University grounds mainte-

nance department is on schedule with construction of sidewalks, special lighting, additional landscaping in preparation for the statue.

Gulig said the University has been very cooperative.

"We think it will be a very special place," he said.

Gulig said that in addition to the gift being presented to the University, the class of '80 has also commissioned a special, limited edition of the Gill statue in miniature. The 12-inch, bronze replicas will cost \$150, and they are available to anyone through the class of '80.

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FRIDAY

ABILENE AREA HOMETOWN CLUB: The club will meet and have a party at 7:30 in the Treehouse Apartments Party Room.

BAPTIST STUDENT UNION: Will host a supper at 6:30 p.m. in the Baptist Student Center for all International and American students.

HILLEL CLUB: Will hold Shabbat dinner and services at 6 p.m. in the Hillel Foundation Bldg., 800 Jersey.

"HELP!": The Beatles' second picture features a kaleidoscopic composite of comic lunacies, mad capers and unpredictable Carollian nonsense dialogue and gags in a wildly incredible wonderland of spies, deities, villains, lovelies and loonies. Seven Beatle songs are included. The movie will show at 7:30 p.m. in Rudder Theater.

"MAIN EVENT": Barbra Striesand and Ryan O'Neal are cast as a successful perfume manufacturer and a retired prize fighter, respectively. Barbra loses her fortune when her business manager embezzles the company's funds and Ryan must fight to help her regain the money. The movie will show at 7 and 9:45 p.m. in Rudder Theater.

"ALLEGRO NON TROPPO": A film linking animation with classical music, borrowing from and sending up the form of Fantasia for its own purposes, will be shown at midnight in Rudder Theater.

SATURDAY

HILLEL CLUB: Will hold morning services with Melanie Aron at 10:30 a.m. at the Hillel Foundation Bldg., 800 Jersey.

"DEATH TRAP": This Broadway play by Ira Levin will begin at 8 p.m. in Rudder Auditorium.

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EUROPE CLUB: Will have a welcome back party at 8 p.m. in the Tanglewood South Apartments party room. Bring your favorite drink and snack.

SUNDAY

MUSLIM STUDENT ASSOCIATION: Will have a potluck lunch for the Muslim community of Bryan-College Station at 11:30 a.m. in 145 MSC. Interested persons should either bring a dish to serve 20 portions or be charged \$3.

DELTA Y: Will have a skating party at 4:15 p.m. at Pooh's Park. Everyone is invited.

MUSLIM STUDENT ASSOCIATION: A Quran study class and children's play will be held at 10 a.m. in 302 Rudder.

"A MAN, A WOMAN AND A BANK": Donald Sutherland and Brooke Adams, a bank robber and advertising photographer, respectively, fall in love while Sutherland plans a bank heist. Adams takes his picture, which is ironically used on a promotional campaign for the bank. The feature will show at 7:30 p.m. in Rudder Theater.

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