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Seniors support Twelfth Man tradition



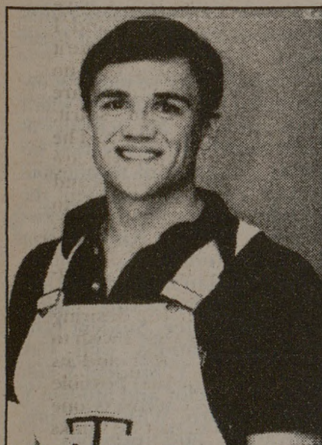
Uwe Wolfgang Guenther

*petroleum engineering
Baytown*

As a junior yell leader I learned several things which I feel better qualify me for the position of senior yell leader. Aside from the rather obvious things such as traditions and so on, I also learned how to handle a sometimes hostile media. Because of some of the bad press the University received over the year, I feel that the ability to handle the media properly is a valuable asset.

Being a yell leader during my junior year was an honor and a privilege. There is something magnetic about being the instrument that directs and focuses the awesome force of the Twelfth Man, that makes all the work that goes along with being a yell leader worthwhile.

With respect to the jokes told at yell practice my feelings can be summed up as follows: While I do not advocate tastelessness, third grade jokes stopped being funny in third grade.



Dale Whittaker

*agricultural engineering
Shiloh*

Howdy Aggies!! Let me begin like all Good Ags and introduce myself. I'm Dale Whittaker, an agricultural engineering major from Shiloh,

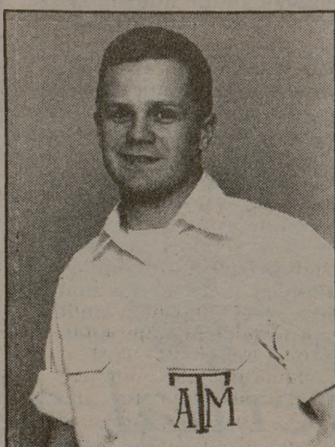
Texas, and I'm running for senior yell leader for the 1982-83 school year.

The traditions that are unique to Texas A&M University, and the superior academic prestige our University has, instills in me a sense of pride and respect for our great University. I hope every Aggie feels the same.

That's why I think it's important to maintain and uphold our pride and strong traditions with the help and determination of the Twelfth Man, whether it be at a football game, yell practice, Silver Taps, or Muster. As a yell leader, I would encourage all Aggies to unite as one, promoting Aggie Spirit!

I sincerely feel that I have the motivation, zeal and desire to commit myself to serve as yell leader for this great University!

As Texas A&M continues to grow, so should the Aggie Spirit. Every student should realize how important support from the Twelfth Man is. Therefore, my goal as yell leader would be to encourage all Aggies to unite as one and become a vital part of the Twelfth Man.



Tom Joseph

*agricultural business
Hamilton*

As a returning yell leader, I feel that I could represent a wide range of Aggie's enthusiasm. I have been in Town Hall, a Student Y Fish Camp sub-chairman and counselor, and am presently a junior in Squadron 11. I have been active in Campus Crusade for Christ and am this year's Master of Ceremonies for the MSC Variety Show. Senior yell leaders are responsible for setting a tone at games of enthusiasm and sportsmanship. As a junior yell leader this year, I learned how the Twelfth Man can really fire the team up, and I can act as an effective catalyst. My intentions will be to maintain and reinforce Aggie traditions, keeping yell practice "good bull" without the grode and creating an awesome Aggie spirit of excitement at games. With A&M growing, it is essential that the

student body be unified to develop an Aggie flavor on campus. Texas A&M is changing rapidly as new faculty, coaches and buildings continue to alter the campus. It is up to the Aggie student body to uphold and develop Aggie pride if we are to keep A&M unique. It is up to "we, the Aggies" to honor Aggie traditions which have been the foundation of what an Aggie is.



Charlie Childs

*petroleum engineering
Tyler*

My name is Charlie Childs and I am running for Senior Yell Leader. I am the 1st Sergeant and upcoming Commanding Officer of Company F-2. I am a Ross Volunteer and Distinguished Student with a 3.1 grade point average in petroleum engineering. I have received awards from the Military Order of World Wars and the Daughters of Founders and Patriots of America. I am attending Campus Crusade for Christ and First Baptist Church of College Station.

My dad, Class of '53, was a Senior Yell Leader and I would be excited and very honored to lead the Twelfth Man. I want to be a yell leader because I believe in Aggie traditions and I am a strong supporter of the Aggie football team and all Aggie athletics. I get excited at Aggie games and feel that I can transfer this excitement to the Twelfth Man. As Senior Yell Leader I would like to provide the incoming freshmen with a better awareness of Aggie Tradition and continue to have a clean yell practice. In closing, I feel the yell leaders are the pace setters for the Twelfth Man and should be men of high morals and upstanding character.

Jon Burt

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Rosser*

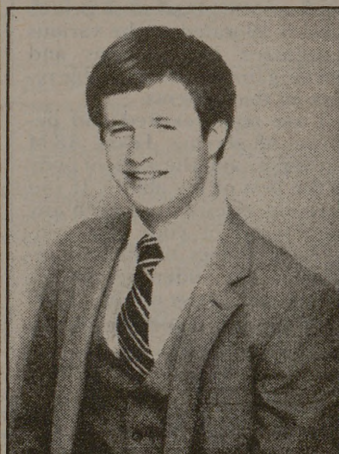
The Twelfth Man, a powerful and motivating force, is an untapped resource at other

schools. The continued participation of the Twelfth Man is a vital element in Aggie sports. A Senior yell leader is not only a representative of A&M at athletic events, but should be a well-rounded individual who is the role model of the Good Ag.

I would like to stress and encourage more participation in Aggie traditions; moreover, I feel this can be done through emitting incoming freshmen and speaking at dorm council meetings. Another goal is to continue having good bull yell practices.

A Senior yell leader should be involved with various University activities in order to reflect and portray the importance of Aggie traditions. I am involved with Corps Wing Staff, Ross Volunteers, and Fish Camp (chairman).

With the experience that I have gained in these organizations, I believe that I have a strong grasp on the ideas and values of Aggie Spirit. I welcome the opportunity to be a motivating factor at Aggieland next year. Gig'em Aggies



Rock L. Thurston

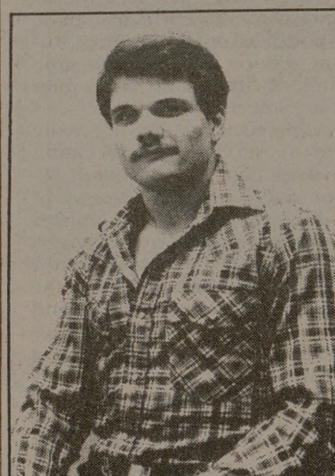
*animal science
Pottsboro*

My name is Rock Lee Thurston. I'm an Animal Science (science option) junior. I'm running for senior yell leader. My hometown is Pottsboro, Texas. Born and raised in Pottsboro on a farm, I come from a family of four. I love my home and A&M - A&M is a home away from home.

I have been honored to hold a few offices in my time. I've held the office of president of my Sunday school class. I was holding the only office open at the time; therefore, responsible for delegating my responsibilities. Presently, I hold th office of chairman for public relations at Casa del Sol apartments, under which Kelly Lobb is presiding. Another organization I've been active in is the Baptist Student Union. I am also involved in intramural softball. I've been a basketball coach for two years in

intramural play. I've been in Delta Y and Saddle & Sirloin and am in OCA.

Most of all, my friends and roommates have been responsible for my decision to run for yell leader, especially after the Halloween party Sbisla held last year. I came dressed as Rock "the Good Ag" and wore a yell leader's suit. I never thought I had that much enthusiasm. It all seemed to come out of me after all the confidence my dear friends gave me.



Joe Tindel

*journalism
Frankston*

Let me first point out the great responsibility a yell leader has to the Twelfth Man. He is the number one representative of the Aggie Spirit — it should be his duty to exemplify by his behavior and personality the way an Aggie should be.

I am running for yell leader because I have a tremendous amount of Aggie Spirit I must put to use in the best possible way! I also feel I will well represent those Aggies who are not in the Corps of Cadets. I believe our Corps is a great representative of Texas A&M, and we should be proud of its valuable contribution to our tradition, but I also believe a yell leader who represents and has something in common with the rest of the Twelfth Man will bring us even closer together. I feel I can serve that purpose well.

My Aggie spirit began to build quite a few years ago. I started following Aggie sports with my father, a 1958 graduate of Texas A&M when I was about eight years old. He told me about our great traditions, and how valuable they are to our University. Now I have the opportunity to serve Texas A&M and all Aggies to the fullest — an opportunity to become a representative of the pride and spirit of Aggieland.