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Or, Is there life in College Station after May?
For those who have decided to stay, or can't make up their mind, Focus has prepared a guide to Summer in Aggieland.

THE SUNBLURN
AND THE MOSQUITO
AT THE GROVE



Grove movies and suntanning highlight summer in Aggieland

Everyone who has never spent the summer in College Station wants to know what it's like.

Everyone who has ever spent the summer in College Station can tell them.

It's less crowded, school is easier and it's hot.

The crowded streets, dance floors and classrooms taken for

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granted now will have summer schoolers murderously frustrated when everybody else returns in the fall.

There's more breathing room all around, which is a good thing. Too many sweaty bodies crammed together can be unpleasant.

And since there's not that much to do in College Station anyway, the social life is about the same as what you're used to.

The main events which will occupy your summer days in College Station are: sunning, going to the pool, attending class, putting on suntan lotion, going to the lake and sunning. Not in that order, of course.

The spot to get hot on campus

is Wofford Cain Olympic swimming pool. Each summer day hundreds of Aggies gather at the pool to sweat and show off swimsuits, or lack thereof.

Lifeguards of each sex are available to swoon over. The pool also supplies kickboards which are fun to float around on. It's also bigger than apartment pools — you can actually swim there.

It's the closest thing you'll find to a beach full of Aggies.

If you live at an apartment complex with a clean pool, you're in luck. It's a good place to meet neighbors, who you then invite over for drinks.

The swimming isn't as good as at the big pool, but the convenience of apartment pools makes them useful.

For full-scale water sports, trek to Lake Somerville. Boating, camping and picnicking are the big events there. The water looks questionable, but be brave.

And for long weekends, there's always the coast. Going to the coast is a prestige event, and the drive back gives you plenty of time to rehearse your sympathy monologue:

"Hi, how was your weekend? Mine was okay, I went to the coast."

"Don't touch my back, okay? I laid out for six hours Saturday and ... you know? It's just killing me."

"No, I just put a little bit of suntan lotion on when I went out, but it must have washed off. It was really bad that night, when we went dancing, you know? And in the car on the way back!"

Do not feel sorry for people like this.

Back on the homefront, the nightlife will be in full swing. You will have the opportunity to form intimate acquaintances with each and every mosquito residing in The Grove. These friendly little fellows will greet your intrusion to their territory with love and itchy kisses. But if you ignore them and the background music provided by trains, you might find yourself enjoying this summer's movie selection.

Take along a pillow and blanket or lawn chairs, and you'll be comfortable as the insects have their evening meal.

Movies will be shown every night at The Grove, starting May

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31. The choices range from *The Sound of Music* to *Clockwork Orange*, and every type of

movie in between will be represented.

Admission to the movies hasn't been decided yet, but it will be a lot nicer to your wallet than off-campus movies. And the Grove is probably a lot closer to home.

Session passes for Grove movies will be sold at each summer school registration.

For cooler and more refined entertainment, the MSC Summer Dinner Theater and the Texas A&M Theater Arts program are offering two summer dinner theaters.

The first one, "A Shot in the Dark," is scheduled for June 17-19. The Pink Panther series was based on this play. More information will be available closer to opening night.

The second play is Neil Simon's "The Odd Couple," scheduled for August 5-7.

The first two nights of each dinner theater will be budget nights, so the fare offered will be a bit more humble than the last night's buffet.

Auditions for the plays are open to the public, so amateur actors may find another way to occupy those long summer days. Auditions for the first play will be April 25-30; the date for "Odd Couple" auditions hasn't been set.

To keep students busy the rest of the days and nights, the MSC Basement Committee will sponsor local performers in

Rumours. Again, if you're interested, give the committee a call. If not, then spend that extra time in Rumours, which will be

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open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. daily, and on those nights that feature performers.

Other MSC committees haven't set their summer schedules yet, but call the Student Programs Office at 845-1515 for all the information when you return for summer school.

If you'll be here, try to save up gas money. The rest of the state will be celebrating everything from watermelons to independence from various forms of oppression.

These small celebrations usually involve one town and one weekend. The standard formula is: produce judging on Friday; rodeo and dance Friday and Saturday nights (queen's contest Friday during rodeo); eating all weekend; massive drinking of anything cold all weekend; and death, Sunday.

The fourth of July will probably see more meat barbecued and more watermelon eaten than any other day during the year.