

then that is what will happen. I challenge the editor or whoever else is of like mind to start a group such as Citizens for Child Porns or maybe Citizens for Bestiality.

In summary, morality can and is legislated, that is external actions can be controlled. Spirituality or internal thoughts and ideas can never be legislated. Ideas have consequences.

Michael J. Bastian
Senior, PetE

A&M should be best university anywhere

EDITOR:
Since I became an Aggie, I have heard over and over again that Texas A&M is trying to become a World Class University. I have problems with this idea because by saying that A&M is trying to become a World Class University you are saying that A&M is trying to be equal to another university.

A&M has never tried to equal another university, A&M has always tried to beat the hell out of another university. Therefore the idea of being a World Class University is wrong for A&M.

What A&M should become is the Best Damn University Anywhere.

To do this we should do two things. First, we should make every department the best in the world. We should do this in new and original ways instead of stealing talent from other universities.

Secondly and most importantly, we should be ourselves. We are not going to make A&M better by trying to be a clone of Harvard. By moving toward a World Class University based on someone else's standards, by losing sight of who we are, our history and traditions, we will never become the greatest university in the world, let alone, "World Class."

Michael Shriro
Class of '87

Americans can oppose civil rights

EDITOR:
In response to Ann Robbins statements in Monday's Batt which dealt with the denial of GSS rights on campus, I have this to say, "How Dare You!" What right do, Miss Robbins, have in includ-

ing me in your warped views of American ideals? Where do you get off saying that it will be a victory for America if the GSS is given their civil rights? I'm an American and my ideals in no way represent your ideals.

Homosexuality is not widely accepted in the U.S. In some places it is tolerated, but in other places, like Texas A&M, it is not.

If you don't believe me then ask the students themselves, not the council that mistakenly voted for your recognition. Many times the student government's decisions are not fully representative of the student body.

Why don't you conduct a mock election just like the one that was done for the presidential election and let the student's decide. After all, a service organization is for the benefit of the students and this decision should be left for them.

Robbins, you also stated that your organization has spent much money to find a place to conduct your immoral get-togethers. I think the only reason why you want your group to be recognized on campus is because you can conduct your illicit acts and use its facilities for free.

You said it yourself and obviously you don't have enough members in your club to support itself. I do not support your warped values and I will not have any of my student fees going to your organization.

Homosexuality is both immoral and insane in the sense that it is unhealthy and in no way normal.

You people have a serious mental problem, not a physical one, which should be solved privately under the care of a psychiatrist, not on the campus of Texas A&M.

Bruce Creller
Class of '86

EDITOR'S NOTE: In Thursday's Letters to the Editor of The Battalion, GSS President Marco Roberts said: "... Ann Robbins, who, though straight, subjected herself to possible harassment by publicly taking a stand on our side." ... It seems Roberts was correct.

Citizens doing more to fight porno

EDITOR:
Your editorial on the Citizens for Decency was a study in arm chair football coaching. You agreed that fighting pornography was a noble cause you could support but criticized the motives of the group of Bryan/College Station residents who were attempting to address the pornography problem.

So what is your plan for removing such publications as "How to have sex with children" from distribution? (A similar group did so recently in Austin.) To paraphrase the Monday night speaker — I like what Citizens for Decency is doing better than what you are not doing.

Norene Dupre
Staff

Education before tradition at A&M

EDITOR:
A reply to Arnold:
Have the Corps have the wool pulled over your eyes, or do you have tunnel vision? Let's face it. Bruce Goodrich should not have died. He died because of "tradition," irresponsibility and lack of foresight.

On the first point, tradition is no excuse to run someone without a justifiable reason. The military doesn't run you at 3 a.m. in the morning unless they have an excellent reason for it.

On the second point, the three cadets showed complete irresponsibility in running the cadets "off-duty." As to my understanding, they had done nothing to deserve the exercise. As to compound the matter, when he collapsed, they made him continue. I don't believe he would collapse unless he was truly ill.

Finally, Mr. Rollins is a leader and is therefore responsible for his men. He should have known what is required to become a cadet. If he didn't know that physicals were not required, then I begin to doubt if he is doing his job. Rollins had no excuse. There is a saying that may help him in the future. "Think about what you are going to say before you open your mouth." Obviously, Rollins didn't think.

Arnold, the above reasons are just

common sense. The Corps got what it deserved. Maybe, the Corps will better from what happened.

I've got some more bad news for you. The real world places little emphasis on spirit. The world judges the quality of a school on its education. The world is also hard on changeless institutions who cannot adapt. Schools that don't adapt to a changing society become backwards, and out of touch.

Finally, why did you come to Texas A&M? I hope you didn't come here only because of the tradition. You came here just like everyone else to learn. Tradition, sports, spirit, the Corps, and the name are just things that make it more enjoyable. If you're not here to learn (and learn about life) then you're in the wrong place, too.

David Burkhalter
Class of '86

Thanks for help after accident

EDITOR:
Sometimes it is really a shame that you have to face adversity before you really appreciate what you have.

I would like to take this time and just express my thankfulness to several people and a couple of organizations at the university, but first let me explain.

Last Saturday, October 13, 1984, together with my outfit (Squadron 15), I was cutting logs for bonfire, and it was there that I had an accident.

I had a log fall on my foot and it tore the ligaments in my leg and broke my ankle in three places.

Now this is where the thanks come in. A&M's student volunteer medical technicians are an amazing group of people. These guys came to my injury site and carried me through two feet of mud and in the pouring rain and in and out of several pickup trucks until I got to the ambulance. I think the key word to mention again is volunteer.

Also while I was in the hospital several Fightin' Texas Aggie Redpots and junior Redpots came by several times to check up on me. They also arranged for contact to be made with my profs, brought me a book to read while I was recovering and are helping me pay for my medical expenses.

I really think that it is people like those who make Texas A&M University

the great and special place that it is. Thanks a lot guys and my hat is off to you.

Build the Hell Outta bonfire!

Scott Reagan
Class of '86

Sports writer Cornett another bad Ag

EDITOR:
We are responding to Tony Cornett's article of 10-23-84 entitled, "It's Miller Time in Aggieland." We are tired of reading people's all negative opinions about the football team.

First, Cornett, what kind of attitude is that to have about a team who wants to win just as bad as anyone else does. Rather than being negative we need to be positive. At times like these when the team is already down, what the team really needs is positive support. Being negative and destructively critical will only bring the team down further.

With four games left in the season and some of the toughest teams in the conference left to play, relaxing is the last thing we need to do. What we need is a change for the better, and positive changes come through positive attitudes and strong supportive effort. We would like to think that this is what being a part of The Fightin' Texas Aggie 12th Man is all about.

Remember, the 12th man doesn't take anything sitting down. We stand up and show our willingness to support our team positively, through the good times and the bad. That is what distinguishes us from students at other schools.

A good example of positive support was shown to us when some of our friends made a spirit sign to hang outside the locker room door, which said, "To: Maroon and White. From: Twelfth Man. We believe in you," which was accompanied by several hundred signatures.

While gathering signatures around campus for the sign, not one student that was approached hesitated to sign showing their support for the team. This is the kind of support that will help get the team back on its feet.

Rawdon Allen, Class of '86
Richard Solomon, Class of '86

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