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Dear Readers:

Hello again, faithful readers.

This week's *At Ease* looks a tad bit different than the *At Ease* of semesters past. We've added an "around town" page to help fill your entertainment needs. It includes the a synopsis of the local live music scene, a listing of movies currently showing (including times) and a feature article on an upcoming event that you might want to check out.

We've also added "Aggienizing Answers," a weekly survey of student opinion on each week's given topic. This week's survey asks "How do you feel about the papal visit to San Antonio?"

Finally, we are pleased to present the new and improved TV logs. Just what you've been waiting for, right? Programs are listed according to the local cable channels for your convenience.

So now that we've told you about all the new and exciting things in *At Ease* this semester, you're probably wondering what this week's issue is all about. If you even glanced at the cover, you probably surmised that it has something to do with religion. If you read further, you'll realize that this issue is, in fact, devoted to the religious movement on campus. Because of the overwhelming number and variety of religious sects, however, we were forced to limit our story to what might be considered "mainstream" religions. We have also included an interesting article on the atheist perspective, accompanied by a story on the atheist reaction to the papal visit.

We're still waiting for your contributions for the attention!! page. But even if you don't have a column or photo to contribute, please continue to send us your suggestions. As always, we continue to strive to inform, educate and entertain you, dear readers.

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Are the college students of today turning to religion for support and guidance? Is the religious movement gaining strength? With all the publicity surrounding the papal visit, we decided this would be a good time to address these and other questions.

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Atheists, like most non-conformists, must face much controversy about their views. We've tried to get some enlightening information about atheism from students who choose to live without religion.

Picketing the pope _____ 11

Atheist leader Madalyn O'Hair says that the papal visit is a good chance for atheists to make their opinions heard. If you want to read a few of O'Hair's more colorful remarks, turn to page 11.

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This is a new *At Ease* special feature addressing a special question dealing with each weekly topic. Read on to see how students answered the question: "How do you feel about the papal visit?"

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This week Tom tells us why he really likes "Dudes," a punk rock movie directed by Penelope Spheeris.

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"Psonic Pspot," the new album from The Dukes of Stratosphere, is the object of Tom's scrutiny this week. In addition, we've included a review of Fleetwood Mac's new album, "Tango in the Night."