Mail Call

Aggie support an excellent display

I'm just writing to thank all of the Aggies who took the time to drop a letter or postcard in the mail for Juan Basombrio while he was in the hospital in San Antonio. It was incredible to walk into his room and see the support everyone

had for him in the form of letters and other gifts.

Although Juan passed away Wednesday afternoon, I know how much he and his family and friends value the Aggie spirit we all shared with him through the thoughts, prayers and mail he received. In all my years here at A&M, I've never seen a more excellent display of Aggies helping Aggies. Thanks.

Daniel Pradel '89

Wall lockers unreliable

I would like to express my grievance towards the wall lockers located outside the Commons Dining Hall. It seems the people who are in charge of these lockers are making a small profit in that the units are not refunding the quarter that is used to lock up backpacks, books, etc. Sure, I agree a quarter is a very trivial amount of money to worry about, but to have it happen four times in four separate units?

Twice I asked a manager to refund my money and twice they were nice enough to do so. But where does the other \$2-\$3 in quarters go that I saw in a compartment located at the bottom of each row of lockers. How come some of the lockers don't have locks on them at all? I must say if my books should happen to "walk" off because the key wouldn't turn after inserting a quarter, I'll know who to send the bill to. It would be greatly appreciated if someone could look into this matter before we read about another person asking for someone to return their property to them.

Thomas W. Gurnee '89

Women react to rape column

Howdy, Ags! We're writing to you because we are filled with emotion. We were sitting around reading Scot Walker's article on the rape of an Aggie and the reaction of some men. We'd like to share with you the reaction of some women.

Rape doesn't always happen at gunpoint by three strange men. In fact, most rapes are date rapes or acquaintance rapes, where the victim knows the rapist. Ags, did you know that it is considered rape if the woman says "no" or "stop" at all?

Guys, imagine yourself after some beer at the Chicken. You've just been scamming on a girl who's dressed to kill. You both decide that 1 a.m. is too early to call it a night, so you go back to your room to talk. You're hoping that your roommate is gone. You're in luck and after a few minutes (if that long), you kiss her. It feels good. You start mugging down pretty hard, and it feels real good. By now you are both pretty

turned on. You just can't wait any longer. You think you heard her say something but you aren't sure.

She said "stop" softly. A couple of buttons come undone. She pleads with you, "NO." But you assure her. You say, "relax ... shhh ... trust me ... I only want to make you feel good." She says "no" several times, but you are sure she wants it. You don't think she means no, but she does. You complete your mission and as you fall asleep you fail to notice the blank look in her eyes. She feels terrible; her head hurts; she feels used; she doesn't know what to do. Later, she leaves to go home, take a shower and feel guilty.

The next day she might call you, try to fall in love with you or just try to forget the whole thing.

Guys, you raped her. She said, "no" but you said, "relax."

She said, "stop" but you said, "trust me." You brag about it to your buddies. She hides it from hers. You feel on top of the world and a little tired. She feels like a dog left on the side of the road: cold, dirty and alone. Guys, we don't think it is too much to ask of you: Please try to consider her needs before you satisfy your own. She just wanted someone to hold her, someone to care, maybe to have some fun, even to please you, but not to be violated.

Melanie Storseth '92 Accompanied by 6 signatures

Harrington classrooms unsafe

Warning! Do not enter Harrington Classroom Building without the following three items: a raincoat, a hardhat and a life insurance policy. While I was attending class on Monday, the ceiling fell. The small amount of rain this past weekend leaked in and drenched the ceiling tiles. The weight of the water sagged the tile enough to break it. When it fell it almost hit two students. Needless to say, they moved to avoid the dripping water. About 10 minutes later the sound of falling water again disturbed the class. Water had suddenly poured I mean poured — from the light fixture. The two or three students under the light left the room. This caused me to look up at the light directly above me. It was scary. The light cover was hanging by two hinges.

Folks, Harrington is a relatively new building. Why couldn't the Board of Regents contract with someone who could build things right the first time? Why are they expanding the MSC when they've got problems like this? Is it because they want to build the @*#* out of A&M? I doubt it, or did doubt it. Student safety and learning should be first - not new or (badly) renovated buildings. I'll surely think twice before I go back to 204 Harrington Classroom Building.

Tracey Hnatiuk '91

We are all Americans

As a minority, I would just like to say that before anything, we are all Americans. I am constantly told that the only

reason I will amount to anything (by anything I mean getting into a professional school or getting a high paying job) is because I am a Hispanic woman.

It sure may be my ticket in, but it is nowhere near my ticket out. Before reverse discrimination, minorities never got a "ticket in." Minorities must work twice as hard as anyone else in order to overcome the stereotypes and prove that we are just as intelligent and competent as any other American. Remember, that before anything we are all Americans and God's children. Many people forget that.

Michele Guerra '91

Welcome to Kyle Field

I recently had a terrific experience that I'd like to share

Due to a lack of funds and transportation, I have never attended an A&M football game. (Although I make sure I watch them on TV.) Therefore, I had never been to Kyle Field — until this week. I was looking around and noticed that the stadium was open, so I went in. At that moment I felt a wonderful sensation. As I saw the words "Welcome to Aggieland — Home of the 12th Man," I realized that I was a part of a unique tradition.

In this age of change and uncertainty, Aggies can always count on the undying spirit of Texas A&M and we should be

Trudi Giilfillian '93

McFadden fire handled well

McFadden Hall would like to thank the College Station Fire Department for putting out the fourth floor McFadden fire so quickly and efficiently on Saturday, February 3. We also appreciate the role that the University Police Department played in keeping things calm and orderly throughout the crisis.

Sally Craddock Resident director, McFadden Hall

EDITOR'S NOTE: We're very excited about the number of students who've decided to write letters for Mail Call. But due to the overwhelming number of letters we've been received recently, it may take a few days for submissions to be printed. Please be patient.

Have an opinion? Express it!

Letters to the editor should not exceed 300 words in length. The editorial staff reserves the right to edit letters for style and length, but will make every effort to maintain the author's intent. There is no guarantee that letters submitted will be printed. Each letter must be signed and must include the classification, address and telephone number of the writer. All letters may be brought to 216 Reed McDonald, or sent to Campus Mail Stop 1111.

The partners and professional staff of KPMG Peat Marwick are pleased to announce the following graduates of Texas A&M University, class of 1989-90, will be joining our Firm:

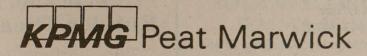
Brad Almond Becky Barta Lisa Bauer Julie Boecker Laura Burks Cathy Flescher Roxanne Frey Chuck Hollas Tensie Homan Kristen Johnson Michael Kernan Larry Kitchel

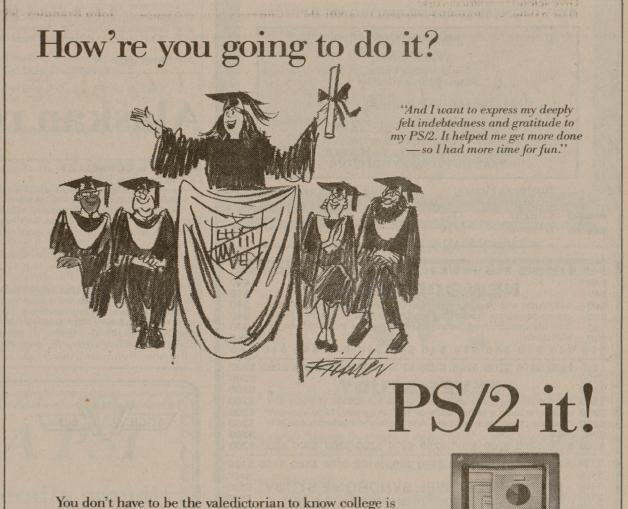
Sandy Klein **Kimberly Lambert** Pam Montgomery Kristin Petersen Susan Peterson John Pumpelly Melanie Rees **Kerrie Roberts** Connie Rouse Jennifer Searcey **Ianna Smith** Michael Walther

Welcome to Peat Marwick!

Peat Marwick Spring Campus Interview Dates:

February 12 (Permanent Positions) February 13 (Summer Positions)





IBM PS/2® can make your school life a lot easier. And after school, it can give you a head start on your career. Because there's a good chance you'll be worl ing with a PS/2 wherever you work after college. And right now, as a student you have an advantage. You can get the IBM PS/2 at a terrific low price. So save money and make a smart

no picnic. But the IBM Personal System/2® can be a big help.

It lets you get more done in less time. You can organize your notes, write and revise papers, and create smart-looking graphics to make a good report even better. All in all, the

career decision at the same time.

MICRO COMPUTER Computer Sales and Supplies

Located on the main floor of the Memorial Student Center Monday thru Friday 7:45 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. (409) 845-4081

LAST CHANCE!

Sale Ends February 15, 1990 **Immediate Delivery Available on Most Systems**



IBM, Personal System/2 and PS/2 are registered trademarks of International Business Machines Corporation. ©IBM Corp. 1989