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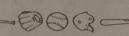
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HALL PRESENTS

Barone on basketball . . .

Perceptions of A&M basketball are not reality

The Battalion

s the glass half-filled or is it half-empty? Is the sky partly cloudy or do you see it as partly sunny? Your observation is based on

Since I became the head basketball coach at Texas A&M, my most taxing endeavor has been to narrow the gap between the public's perception of what kind of basketball program we have and the reality of our situation. We have faced two major examples of this appar-

have faced two major examples of this apparent contradiction with the negative stories regarding the Special Events Center and the NCAA placing our program on probation.

I believe strongly in the concepts of communication. My perspective is based on what is in the best interest of the young people in our basketball program.

A major concern is that the interests of the University must always be placed in a priority mode. In fact, if a choice must be made between the team and the University, we must prioritize the big picture as it applies to the University. At Texas A&M, I have found the administration to be completely sensitive to the needs of the student-athletes. However, conflicts arise when influences outside the University have a direct effect upon how a program is run.

Benefits of a Special Events Center

Texas A&M University needs a Special Events Center. Please note that the term "Special Events Center" is entirely appropriate.

Tony Barone Texas A&M men's head basketball coach

The University needs and wants a building in which to conduct its various "special events The basketball program undoubtedly would benefit from the construction of a "Special Events Center." Recruiting quality studentathletes for our basketball program is a major part of my job. We are missing a piece of the puzzle when we cannot show a prospect an arena comparable to that fo our competitors.

A prime example of the difference between perception and reality is apparent in this state ment: "Texas A&M must not be committed to its baskeball program because they won't build and arena." Nothing could be further from the truth. The administration clearly wants an events center and has made that point abundantly clear

I do not want to get into the politics involved in the decision by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board not to approve

construction plans, but it should be stress that Texas A&M had no control over the board's decision.

Wednesday, November 20,1

Outside influences on our program!

The NCAA -- A questionable a

Our probation situation has been wide discussed and further discussion only w lead to beating a dead horse. Again, wel the problem of perception and reality A&M dealt with the problems within the ketball program quickly and efficiently. fact, the NCAA complimented the University on its handling of the situation.

But the penalties and the timing of the penalties seemed to affect the wrong This is entirely my opinion, but the NCAA needs to address its approach in terms of a penalty is handed out and who it actual impacts. A recruit said to me after the pro tion had been announced, "Wow, you gu ally did get the death penalty.

Perception versus reality! I have always believed that if you can control something, do not waste time won about it. We have a great University and basketball program must now put behind our problems. Nothing great was ever an plished without enthusiasm. The youngp ple on this team want to be successful and are working together to reach our full pote

That is the reality of the situation.

Lady Aggies lose exhibition

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Medlock said the team played better than the score indicated.

"I don't think we played bad," Medlock said. "This is a better team (than Ft. Hood).

"They got up and down the court pretty good. We didn't get back in time, and they were getting easy baskets and layups.

Hickey agreed that the team played well through most of the

"I thought we started off the game well," Hickey said. "We played the first half real

hard, but the five or six minutes of the game we lost the edge. Turnovers and an ineffective

transition defense kept the Aggies from staying in the game, Hickey

Russo said it was disappoint-

ing to lose the game.
"We just kind of lost it at the Russo said. "We weren't running our offense and making good passes. Just little things like blocking out, and we weren't tak-

ing good shots.

"It's very disappointing to lose. You've got 27, 28-year-old women beating 17, 18-year-old girls up and down the court.

"It's kind of embarrassing, but I think we did okay overall. It's

just that at the very end we lost it." Hickey said the mistakes the her team made can be corrected The biggest problem I saw

was turnovers and then defensive transition," Hickey said.

Those are very correctable

things.
"Those are things we can work on and this was a very good expe-

Bergeron

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backs were one of the first real teams we've played. The Aggies are over the

The SMU game this weekend will suffer by comparison to oth-

er games this season. What's worse, the Mustangs have lost two starting quarter-

backs this season due to injury They are 1-8 this season and one has to wonder when they ever win again?

Morale has got to be low on this squad. Sadly enough, my old high school team could take them on and have a reasonable chance at winning.

What's most upsetting about is that A&M isn't ranked higher on the AP poll. The Aggies should be in the top ten by now. Don't expect A&M to make any big leaps after defeating SMU.

The real highlight of this

weekend will be camping out Texas tickets

This is always the game look forward to, because b teams will give it their all, matter what.

It's the Aggies turn for venge, and the only thing be than rubbing a win in Longhorns' faces is rubbing Cotton Bowl trophy.

And for the Aggies...tha

sure thing. Soon it will be time to tickets and reserve hotel re for the New Year's Day holid A&M has waited four year this, and it keeps getting bet Florida State -- How sweet iti

I know a lot of people are prehensive about playing team, but the Aggies haves prised fans more than once fore. It should be a time to

The best part is at least a Aggies will have a white Chris

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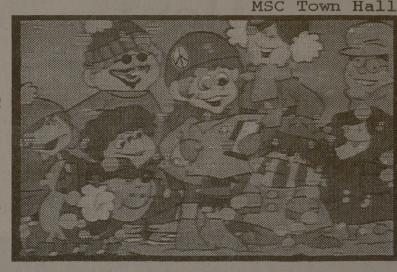




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