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MAIL CALL

Football team members should act more mature

Thursday was one of the most embarrassing days for me as an Aggie. I was leaving Heldenfels with a friend and was appalled at what I saw. I stood by helplessly as I watched a couple of members of the football team throw objects and hit people in the backs of their heads. Then the football players would turn around and laugh. Some of these students were young ladies. Who do they think they are? What makes them think that they are better than anyone else? As members of the A&M football team, they are representatives of our school. When these players are seen participating in such childish acts, it makes the rest of the student body wonder if you deserve to be a member of such a prestigious team.

The person who committed the act itself knows who he is, and so do many others. The saddest thing is, this isn't the first time something like this has happened. It's a shame that a small few can disgrace the rest. Remember, football players, you are all Aggies (so I thought), and you represent A&M.

I hope that some action is taken to prevent this type of behavior in the future. I hope that I don't have to feel ashamed about supporting a team that has certain individuals think that they are above everyone else. I've got news for you, you're not.

Nicholas Botary
 Class of '96
 Accompanied by 45 signatures

Homosexuals ruin A&M's high moral standards

I am writing this letter due to my disgust of some articles I have recently read in The Battalion. The articles I am referring to concern Gay and Lesbian activity at Texas A&M University.

Throughout my high school years I viewed Texas A&M as one of the best universities in existence. Not only due to its academic excellence, Texas A&M has also been known for its pride, tradition, and high moral standards. Texas A&M was a school that I wanted to be a part of. Upon arriving

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University.
 Zentgraf filed a lawsuit in 1979 alleging A&M excluded women from Corps-affiliated organizations. Five years later, an out-of-court settlement was reached that required A&M to encourage women to participate in Corps activities.

Today, more than 60 women are members of the Corps, twice as many as last year, and all Corps units are fully integrated.

Joanna Hetsko, supply operations officer and the only female on Corps Staff, said that although women's position in the

Corps has improved, education is still needed to better it.

"The big wall that females are up against right now is that most males haven't worked with females before," Hetsko said. "They get it set in their minds that they're getting into an all-male organization, and they all-most are."

"We're all forced to work with different ideas, but we're all here to meet the same goals. If everybody understands that, it would be a lot easier."

Laura Eustace, a senior in A-Battery, said the Aggie Band has an excellent reputation for its women's recruitment, retention and integration.

"We've come a long way," Eustace said.

Roadway

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Appleton said. "Moving the railroad would be very expensive and would cost as much or more than roadway construction."

Appleton said the consulting firm will also determine if there would be ways to fund moving the railroad, such as whether any obscure federal programs exist that could provide aid.

The citizens of Bryan and College Station will be able to participate in this study by attending three sets of meetings being held in the next year, he said.

this year one of the first things I noticed was an article in The Battalion about GLBA and "coming out week." I was shocked to say the least. This was the university that I thought would stand up for a high standard of morality. But I guess I expected too much. Don't get me wrong, there is no other school that I would choose over Texas A&M. I still believe that it is the greatest university in existence, only with a few bad apples. To be frank, I simply wish for those with these different private lifestyles to go where they're better accepted. LIKE AUSTIN!!! Or at least keep your private life to yourself.

Jason McKemie
 Class of '98

Anti-gun article makes many illogical leaps

I must admit, for a paragraph or two Ms. Preston had me agreeing with her in her 11/14/94 column on "Parents taking more responsibility around their children". Unfortunately this agreement was short lived as Ms. Preston reverted to one of her signature "logic leaps" in equating the level of guilt of the two parents involved in the deaths of their kids.

I, unlike Ms. Preston, have two small boys-Tyler (3 1/2) and Conner (1 1/2). Limited as my writing ability is, let it suffice to say those little guys are my life, period. Everything I do in a 24 hour period is directly or indirectly related to their well-being. You can not begin to imagine the intensity of the love you will feel for your child until you've had one of your own.

Among the many things I want for my boys, a safe, secure home is right up near the top. Let me relate a personal experience. My first semester back in school my wife, Tyler, and I lived in a nice duplex community off of Southwest Parkway. One night during Spring Break while my wife was at work and I was in the back bedroom trying to get a colicky Tyler to sleep, a youth broke into our home through a window in the front of the duplex. Before I got to the front room he was halfway in the window. I didn't know what exactly to do. Should I yell loudly? Should I get an iron skillet and hit him over the head? Should I take Tyler and try to get out the backdoor? I chose the former, yelling, and fortunately it scared him back out the window and down the street. Shortening the story, the police responded quickly, the youth was caught along with a partner who had also broken into 3 other duplexes, and I began giving the police my statement. While speaking with the police a car full of extremely nasty looking gentlemen parked across the street and proceeded to look back and forth between the

two youths and myself. Finally, they drove slowly away, staring back at me the whole time. The officer later informed me that these youths were from Houston and were probably dropped off at these duplexes by a "ringleader" with instructions to get anything they could. He said it happens quite often during school breaks when most students are gone. I agreed to testify if necessary and that was that.

As I sat up that night, I didn't sleep until my wife got home the next morning, I pondered the mysterious gentlemen in the parked car. I came to the same conclusion any sane human being would come to in my situation, they were the so-called ringleaders. I ultimately decided to buy a handgun.

My question to Ms. Preston is-does this make me a bad, irresponsible parent in your eyes. Since buying it I have never "been caught in the throes of power when holding a gun". I don't carry the gun in my belt anxiously "waiting for someone to flip me off". I keep it stored so high in the closet I'll probably break my ankle trying to get it in the dark if the need ever arises. Ms. Preston, is my mind "over-anxious" in my attempt to secure my "castle"? Would Matilda still be alive if her father had just hit her over the head with a bat, or just stabbed her with a kitchen knife? Have you ever had someone break into your house and all you can do is stand there and wonder if he has a gun?

Sit down and chew on some of these questions Ms. Preston. When you paint with such broad "anti-gun" strokes you are not displaying a solid, objective grasp of the topic, merely a glaring lack of life experiences. I fully agree that something must be done to stem the current trend of increasing handgun violence. Personally, I have no solution. I am just trying to protect my two little boys. Maybe someday when you have some kids of your own, you will realize that your current naive, idealistic judgment that all guns are bad-PERIOD is no solution either.

Alan Gilbreath
 Class of '95

Student angered over Battalion's Mail Call

Just want some clarification on the procedure you employ to select articles that are printed under "Mail Call." If your criteria is simply, "if it's conservative, we won't print," then please let me know so that I can write a letter to the president and complain about such blatant misreporting practices employed by our school newspaper.

Jon-En Wang
 Graduate Student

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