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and cool costumes

ghost story at all.

his tale — literally.

alloween has lost some of its magic. These days, it's only about parties

The loss of magic is a small

price to pay for good parties, but that doesn't do the day justice.

Halloween should be scary and

Maybe we're too old to get

my lap recently that certainly

scared anymore, but a story fell in

spooked me. The odd thing is that

this ghost story was sent to me as an inspirational story, not as a

K.G. lives in St. Croix and

graduated from A&M this year. In his story, "How I Got Through

College Using Someone Else's Head," he stands by the truth of

isn't some clever computer com-

posite, but ... the real thing, as is

the story — truth remains

stranger than fiction," he said.

His story starts with his

doubts about his future at A&M.

to leave the library, but he could-

n't go home. He sat on a bench

he had the stamina to press on

amidst a very thick fog.

One night, he was the last person

As he sat there questioning if

"You will notice that the photo

filled with spooky stories.

without speaking. This gentleman had clothes "from a different era," but our hero barely noticed him until he spoke.

"I was startled when he said, Young man, I have come to offer you an unusual opportunity I can guarantee that you will successfully complete your mas ter's work if you will carry out one simple daily task in return for this favor. "The task is that each day,

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without fail until you have graduated, you must come to the center of the campus at sunrise and make an offering at the statue of Sullivan Ross.

"That ol' statue is real tired of those freshmen making dumb little offerings of pennies at its feet and rubbing all the polish off its boots, so put your head to work and come up with something a little more cre-

ative, or the deal is off." K.G. was a little more than curious, especially since he had nev-er seen the statue or heard of the man it honored. After a few hours of stumbling around in the fog, he found what he was looking for.

"There, frozen in bronze and glistening wet with evening dew, was the elderly gentleman who, only two hours before, had sat and spoken to me on the bench as a living, breathing, flesh-and-bone person. I couldn't believe it, but then I also couldn't disbelieve it.

K.G. decided to spend the rest of the night thinking of a creative pilgrimage that would satisfy his end of the bargain. He contemplated countless ideas, including



K.G., a 1995 graduate of A&M, demonstrates his daily ritur top of the statue of Lawrence Sullivan Ross.

a daily chicken offering. But he wasn't satisfied.

"How would I dispose of all those dead chickens, and how would my housemates take to a chicken-holding pen on the back steps of our apartment? There would just be too much explaining to do

He thumbed through a magazine searching for ideas. Finally, he found inspiration in the magazine's pages -- the hood ornament from a 1934 Rolls Royce coupe. "The ornament's form was that

of a graceful angel standing on one foot, wings and arms held back, leaning forward into the wind, and praying for speed." Having found the proper

metaphor for his dilemma, he perched on Sully's head to pray for his academic deliverance

'As I mounted ol' Ross's head for the first time that morning, a

my lips, 'Oh Great Spiri stand here on ol' Ross'h stow deep sleep and sweet dreams upon our bless bers of the Corps of Cad them at rest in their be seech thee, for should th witness surely will I bede K.G. went back everyda around 4 a.m. to make

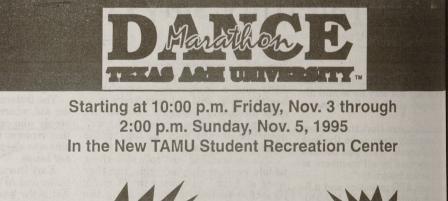
prayer — divinely inspired oubt — miraculously for

grimage until he graduate says he was never spott his pilgrimage nor did her and fall. Whether we find this st

be a source of inspiration complete farce, our Hallo story came with one state can all agree with - "Tr mains stranger than fiction

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