

WEEKEND PREVIEW

THURSDAY, OCT. 31

MSC Film Society is showing **Psycho** at Rudder Theater Complex at 9:30 p.m.

**Hotard Hall**, a Northside residence hall, is hosting Hotard From Hell from 6 p.m. to midnight.

Trick or Treat for children of A&M faculty and staff is in the **Fowler-Hughes-Keathley Complex** on Northside from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. Free refreshments are in 131 Fowler.

RHA is hosting **RHalloween** for children to go through dorms trick-or-treating. Open to all children of B-CS. Meet at Ruder Fountain anytime from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.,

**Haas**, a Northside residence hall, is having a carnival for the children of the community and the ones participating in the RHalloween program.

The Fowler-Hughes-Keathley Complex is having a **haunted house** for University students. Fifty cents admission or a canned good will get you in from 9:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. Meet in the A-1 lounge.

Hart and Appelt are having **haunted houses** at their Southside dorms for the children of the community and will also be visited by some of the RHalloween children.

MSC Cepheid Variable is hosting **"Otherworldly Sci-Fi Disco"** in MSC 226 from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. It is a canned food drive with free refreshments and a costume contest.

Class of '00 is hosting a **haunted house** at the Vet School, 8 p.m. to midnight, adults \$3, couples \$5, children 5-12 \$1.

Bullwinkle's is having a **Great Pumpkin Bash** with rock bands **Linus, Lewis and Jester**. Shows starts 9 p.m.

**Sneaky Pete**, a sing-along and novelty tunes act, is playing at the Halloween party at the Cow Hop from 9:30 p.m.-1 a.m.

**Allan Mayes**, an edgy classic rock act with a dry sense of humor, is playing at the Chelsea Street Pub & Grill.

**Bobby Hall and the Ice Cold Blues Band** is playing at the Palace Theater in Historic Downtown Bryan from noon until 1 p.m.

The Texas A&M theater department is presenting **Baltimore Waltz** by Paula Vogel, in the Fall-out Theater in Room 144 Blocker at 8 p.m.

FRIDAY, NOV. 2

**Ruthie Foster**, a rhythm & blues singer is playing at 3rd Floor Cantina at 8 p.m.



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**Just J**, an acoustic act, is playing at Sweet Eugene's at 9:30 p.m.

Hypnotist **Dr. Downs** is at Bullwinkle's at 8:30 p.m.

The **Texas Renaissance Festival** is being held in Plantersville. Call 1-800-458-3435 for information.

**Path of Tears**, a country-rock band from Waco, is playing at Fitzwilllys.

**Saturday Night Moses**, a rock band, with opening band **Jaztop**, is playing at the Cow Hop.

SATURDAY, NOV. 1

MSC Film Society is showing **The Rock** in the Rudder Theater Complex at 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m.

The **Texas Renaissance Festival** is being held in Plantersville. Call 1-800-458-3435 for information.

**The Voodudes**, a classic rock band, is playing at Fitzwilllys.

**Superband Wasteband**, a rock band, is playing at Brazos Brewing Company at 9 p.m.

**Blue Earth**, a rock band, with opening band **In Spector 12**, is playing at the Cow Hop.

SUNDAY, NOV. 2

Spic Macy is presenting **Shobha Subramanian** in an indian classical dance at Rudder Theater,

The Northgate District Association is hosting a **Halloween Street Party** in the Patricia Street Parking Lot with The Woodies, The Suspects, and The Rockafellas. Shows start at 6 p.m.

The **Europe Club, Caribbean Student Association and the International Student Association** are having a Halloween party at 3rd Floor Cantina 8 p.m. The party is open to the public.

Off-Campus Aggies are showing **"The Dead Zone"** at the Palace Theater; **HALF-LIFE** is playing. There will also be a psychic, body piercing and a costume contest, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., \$5. All proceeds go to the Red Cross.

Zeta Tau Alpha is hosting **Halloween on Sorority Row**. Each house is sponsoring a different activity for children to participate in, face painting, haunted house, bobbing for apples, games; roads will be blocked off and security guards will be placed at the corners for safety; on sorority row from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Sigma Phi Epsilon presents its 3rd Annual Haunted House benefiting Scotty's House in Bryan at the Fort Shiloh Steak House, 2528 Texas Avenue South, starts at 8 p.m., tickets \$5 at the door, \$1 off with a canned good, \$4 advance tickets available at Marooned Records.

Omega Delta Phi is having a **Fright Knight** scholarship hellraiser at El Tejano Ranch with a costume contest with prizes. Prices are \$3 with a costume, \$4 without.

**Zeta Psi** is having a haunted house. Call 822-2602 for directions, \$4 with a canned good and \$5 without, starts at 8 p.m.

Kappa Sigma is hosting the **Wicked Woods**. A shuttle is running from the Barracuda Bar on Wellborn Road to the Kappa Sigma house. Admission is \$7 or \$5 with a canned good, admission to the Barracuda Bar will be free for those paying for the Woods. **Ty and the Semiautomatics** is playing at the Barracuda Bar. Take HW 60 past 2818 and exit Turkey Creek Road, go past the stop sign, and the house is two blocks down on the right.

Company C-2 of the Corps will present **The Flight of the Great Pumpkin** starting at 10:15 p.m. They will start at the arches to the Quad and try to throw a pumpkin on the band dorms, and the band will try to stop them. People with questions can call Skip Schaper at 847-6694.

The Dixie Theatre is having a Halloween party with **Pushmonkey** and **Sunflower**.



Highs & Lows

Today's Expected: 85°F

Tonight's Expected: 67°F

Tomorrow's Expected: 83°F

Tomorrow's Expected: 58°F

The  
SPIRITS  
of Aggieland

Rumors of haunted buildings on campus circulate during Halloween season

By JOANNE WHITTEMORE  
THE BATTALION

When Texas A&M students speak of "spirit," they are usually referring to Aggie spirit. But some say another kind of "spirit" frequents the campus.

Students tell many ghost stories and legends. One ghost story is about the hauntings in the animal sciences meat lab formerly located in the Animal Industries Building.

Roy Simms, a former meat laboratory manager, was slaughtering animals in the basement one night when he cut a femoral artery in his leg and began to bleed profusely.

Simms was alone in the building and had to drag himself up the basement steps with blood trailing behind him. He died from severe blood loss once he reached the top of the stairs.

Legend says one can hear the shrieks and cries, late at night, of animals as they are slaughtered.

One can still hear the elevator as it comes up from the basement, rises to the top floor, and returns to the main floor empty.

Joe Fenton, curator of the Sam Houston Sanders Corps Center, tells the story of the "Ghost of Ol' Army."

"The underground of campus is a network of tunnels," he said. "There lives the 'Ghost of Ol' Army.' He rides a gray stallion called Whoop. At 2 in the morning, you can hear him call his horse, 'Whoop!'"

Fenton said the "Ghost of Ol' Army" protects ladies and good Aggies.

"When you hear a whoop, you know Ol' Army is coming to the rescue," he said.

Fenton said the spirits could possibly be awakened by campus construction.

"A lot of stories and moments frozen in time stay there until big excavation equipment comes in and the area is disturbed," he said.

Duncan Dining Hall is presumably haunted. It was built on land that used to be a graveyard but was moved to West Campus.

Andria Pierce, a former Duncan Volunteer and

A&M graduate, said Duncan sometimes becomes eerie at night.

"There were always noises," she said. "Chairs would move. A friend of mine told me that she and another guy had stacked some chairs against the wall. They heard something on the other side of the room, so they went to check it out.

"When they came back, the chairs weren't stacked anymore. They had been spread out. Some of the noises are from machinery, but other stuff, you don't want to know about."

Fenton said students may periodically catch a glimpse of the ghost of Lawrence Sullivan Ross on campus.

"It's only natural that you would see someone re-sembling Sully checking classrooms and pausing under the oak trees, especially along Military Walk," he said.

In a letter sent to The Battalion, a former student identified as K.G. wrote of his encounter with the ghost of Sully.

"An elderly gentleman in a long overcoat approached silently from the mist and sat on the bench without speaking," he wrote.

The gentleman had on clothes "from a different era" and reassured K.G. that he would get his degree if he would make an offering — not pennies — at the Sul Ross statue every day until he graduated.

K.G. wrote that he did not know who the gentleman was until he went to the Sul Ross statue.

"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," he wrote.

Students have their doubts about the validity of these stories.

Steven Foster, Corps of Cadets commander and a senior political science major, jokingly said, "The only ghosts I've seen around here are the dead zips who haven't graduated yet."

Whether any of these stories are true is up to the imagination of the reader.



Ryan Rogers, THE BATTALION

Goat heads adorn the **Animal Industries Building**, which has been rumored to be haunted by cries of slaughtered animals.

Halloween safety requires sense  
Authorities attempt to thwart would-be criminals tonight

By BRANDON HAUSENFLUCK  
THE BATTALION

College Station, Bryan and University law enforcement officials are not anticipating anything out of the ordinary this Halloween.

Bob Wiatt, University Police Department director, said people need to remain aware of their surroundings, especially since it is Halloween.

"[UPD] has not planned any special activities," Wiatt said. "But throughout the year there are always spooks and hobgoblins out there that need to be looked out for.

"People just need to realize that there are some bad guys out there."

Wiatt said in the past few years there has not been any significant increases in criminal activity on campus during Halloween.

The College Station Police Department is prepared to handle a variety of minor crimes that could occur Halloween night.

Lt. Scott McCollum, CSPD public information officer, said safety comes in numbers.

"There's going to be quite a bit of people out there who will be in a mischievous state of mind," he said. "People should travel in crowds with

some friends."

McCollum said popular offenses that take place on Halloween night include throwing eggs and stealing or smashing pumpkins, which are criminal mischief offenses.

Lynda Rieger, Bryan Police Department records supervisor, said although nine collisions and five assaults were reported last year on Halloween, these numbers are not far above average.

She said Bryan police officers will be working security at different functions throughout the city.

Wiatt has advice for any potential trouble-makers.

"If these people (criminals) want to get spooky, they can hide under their covers and let the rest of us have a good time," Wiatt said.

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Lt. Scott McCollum  
CSPD public information officer



Sunflower