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# AGGIELIFE

## Comics, the bizarre rule AggieCon '97

By BRANDON TRUITT  
THE BATTALION

**J**olt Cola. One dead, unutilized cockroach. Something little, yellow and different.

What do all these things have in common? They are all on this year's AggieCon Scavenger Hunt.

Among the items that did not make the Scavenger Hunt list this year are Bevo's horns (because someone might actually bring the real ones) and Reveille (because last year the Corps of Cadets was a little upset, even though the dog was escorted all the way through the hunt).

Christy Cooper, a Cepheid Variable member and a junior chemical engineering major, said the reason the organization decided to remove Reveille from the list was because they had already done it — they wanted something new to look for.

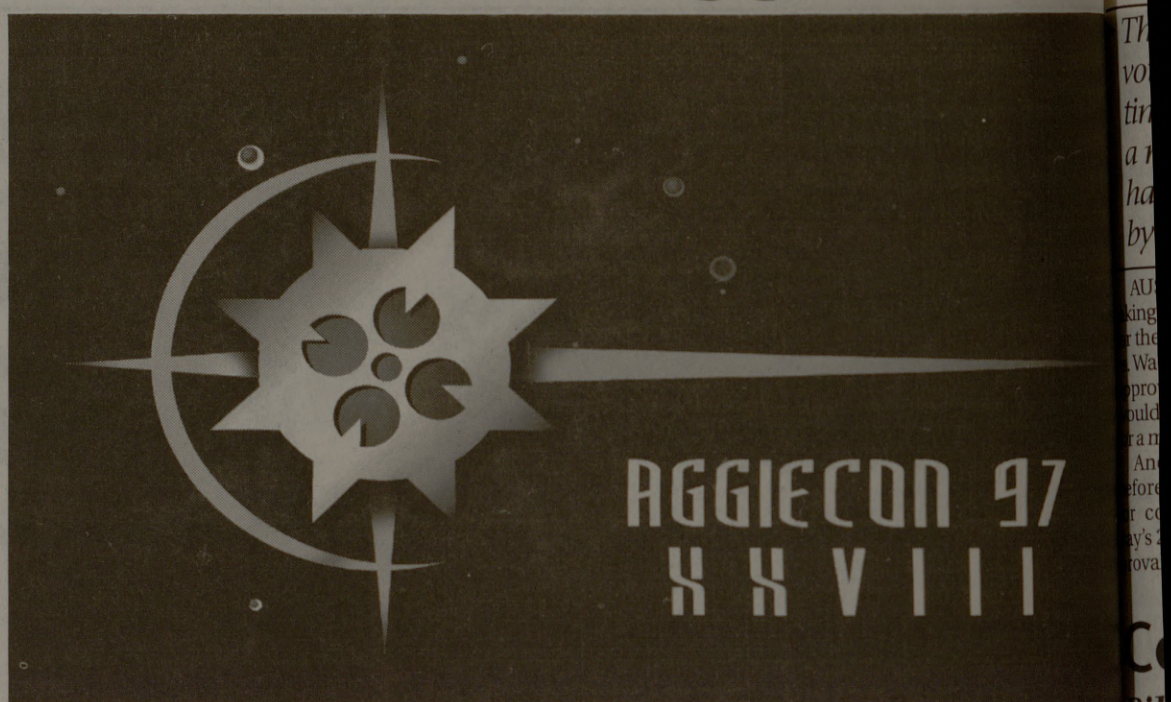
In fact, there are quite a few surprises at this year's AggieCon.

This is the first year the convention will play host to sanctioned tournaments of popular computer games like Quake and Warcraft.

AggieCon XXVIII also will be the first convention to officially enact a Live Action Role Playing Game (LARP). R. Talsorian's Dr. Falkenstein will turn three floors of Rudder Tower into a Hindenburg-style dirigible. The advantage of LARPs over regular role-playing games is that instead of using imaginary characters who perform imaginary deeds, participants must act out the actions and instructions themselves.

There will still be plenty of standard role-playing games as well, and one Cepheid Variable member predicts that "no matter where you look — if there's room on the floor — people will be playing games."

This year's AggieCon also boasts a phone interview with reclusive



James Palmer, The Battalion

sci-fi veteran Arthur C. Clarke, to go along with a screening of *2001: A Space Odyssey*.

Although Cepheid Variable members say it was coincidence, this year's AggieCon appears to be more comic-book oriented than it has been in past years. Most of their numerous speakers specialize in comic books. Two of the most noteworthy speakers will be Dave Dorman, an artist for Star Wars comic books, and Brian Stelfreeze, an artist for Batman and Maximum Velocity.

Even with comic book bigwigs, folks like Cepheid Variable member Marghein (who says he "doesn't do comics") are still excited about this year's convention.

"It is a time when people can see

and talk to other people they normally wouldn't get a chance to meet," said Marghein, a freshman computer science major.

Students also can catch one of the midnight screenings of the *Rocky Horror Picture Show* at the Grove.

In the massive Dealer's Room, one can search for deals on favorite comic books, memorabilia, artwork and collector's merchandise. The room also is rumored to have loads of free merchandise to give away to anyone who is interested.

There also will be a room completely devoted to Japanese anime. It will feature everything from anime classics to the newest works from up-and-coming artists.

At 4:30 p.m. Saturday there will be a free auction to benefit the local char-

ity Scotty's House. This auction will include authentic *Empire Strikes Back* and *Return of the Jedi* movie posters and a denim Spider-Man jacket.

At 6 p.m. Saturday there will be a free art auction.

At Saturday night's masquerade ball, the new Miss AggieCon will be crowned. This year's contest will be open, but past winners have included a small child dressed up as a Cepheid Variable member and a male Cepheid Variable member in an iguana.

For sci-fi and fantasy buff, the area, this Thursday will be a four-day vigil of fun-filled silliness. Maybe that's why the Aggie Cola is on the Scavenger Hunt.

As for the reasoning behind other items, only Cepheid Variable knows for sure.

## SEX

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"The whole disease thing affects people who are more aware," he said. "I don't think it curves people from having sex. Young people think they'll live forever anyway."

James Carman, associate director

of clinical services at the Student Health Center, said the danger of contracting STDs is very real.

"You can get STDs in heterosexual contact," Carman said. "Especially women are more vulnerable, because they're more likely to have bleeding during sex."

Students and experts are divided on whether premarital sex scars

young people psychologically.

"I think it's going to scar them," Madden said. "At that point, they don't realize it."

But Grant said that any psychological scarring is the result of social stigmatizing.

"If we mark them as being tainted for life, if we shame them, then yes, it will scar them," Grant said, "but

there is forgiveness for everyone.

Milburn and Grant both advise students to ignore peer pressure to become sexually active if they feel it is not the right decision for them.

"We all have a need for intimacy," Grant said. "To share your heart with someone is different than just going to bed with them."

## MEIER

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Finally, many people say they are waiting until they are married or until they find "the right one." I guess this is the category I fall under. I'm not saying I am waiting for marriage — I'm just waiting until I find the right girl.

I figure I have waited this long, so why not wait a little longer for someone special? I know I am getting older and my sexual peak supposedly arrived after I left high

school, but I figure it's already gone — what good did it do me?

Some people say the weirdest things when they find out they've never had sex.

They say, "That's really cool!" What's so cool about it? Just because I have never had sex doesn't make me the Fonz or something.

America has become a country based on sex. We obsess about sex, we obsess about not having it, we obsess over who's having sex with whom. Maybe it is time the country just settled down and started looking at bigger problems than, "Hey man, I didn't get laid last night."

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