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► Tim Duffy

CANDIDATE FOR SENIOR YELL LEADER



Howdy Ags. My name is Tim Duffy, junior yell leader, running for re-election as a senior yell leader. I am a marketing major from Colleyville, Texas, and a proud member of the Corps of Cadets, Company F-2.

It has been the biggest privilege and honor this year to serve and represent the Twelfth Man as this year's junior yell leader. I have been proud to represent you at all of those Aggie Mom's Clubs, elementary

schools, and other Aggie interest groups on your behalf. But if there's one thing that I've learned this past year through all of these things, I've found that it doesn't matter what organization you're in or where you come from, but it has everything to do with what is in your heart.

As we get ready for our second year in the Big 12, I want to show everyone what Aggie Spirit truly is, through my pride, loyalty, class, energy, and devotion to A&M.

In short, as your senior yell leader, I want to be able to show everyone what a Fightin' Texas Aggie is all about. I am so excited about next year and what Aggieland has in store for us. Remember to vote and re-elect Tim Duffy for senior yell leader, #7 on your ballot — I'll make you proud. Thanks and gig 'em.

► Brandon Meche

CANDIDATE FOR SENIOR YELL LEADER



Howdy! My name is Brandon Meche. I'm a junior marketing major from Beaumont, and a proud member of the Fighting Texas Aggie Corps of Cadets, Squadron 1. I'm asking for your support in re-electing me as senior yell leader. This past year, I have had the extreme privilege and honor as representing you as one of your junior yell leaders. I can't think of a better school or group of people that I

would ever want to drive all around the state to talk about other than the Fighting Texas Aggies. Throughout this last year I've experienced so much and learned a lot more about what an Aggie really is and what sets them far beyond anyone else. I've stood on the track at football games looking up at the thousands of people yelling so loud for their team that I couldn't hear myself. I've seen little kids' eyes light up when they were told all about our traditions. And yes, I've even seen several Lemon Chill lids soar past my head at the football games. When you vote, elect someone who is willing to make every sacrifice to represent Texas A&M to the best of their ability and who will do whatever it takes to bring all Ags together and above any other university. Re-elect Brandon Meche for senior yell leader, #5 on the ballot. Gig 'em!

► Kyle Sparkman

CANDIDATE FOR SENIOR YELL LEADER



Howdy Ags. I'm Kyle Sparkman, a junior biomedical science major from Pampa, and a proud member of the Corps of Cadets, Company C-2. More importantly, I'm asking for your vote to represent Texas A&M as a senior yell leader.

To be a yell leader for the Twelfth Man would be the opportunity of a lifetime. Through being involved in such organizations as Student Government, the MSC, Fish Camp, and the Corps, I have learned what it truly means to be an Aggie and it has enabled me to be a representative of all aspects of Texas A&M. It has instilled in me the desire to do whatever I can to promote the spirit and tradition that makes our university so great.

When you cast your vote on Wednesday and Thursday, vote for a candidate that will make you proud. If I am elected, I will do just that, and I pledge to be more than just a story teller and a leader of yells. I pledge to do my part to ensure that when our children and grandchildren attend A&M, they will have the same love, devotion, and pride in their school that each and every one of us has today.

To be elected would be a dream come true and I will live up to the standards of what it is to be a yell leader. Remember, vote #1 on the ballot and "IGNITE THE SPIRIT WITH SPARKMAN" on election day. Gig 'em.

► Joe Forman

CANDIDATE FOR SENIOR YELL LEADER



I'm Joe Forman, an economics major and a resident of Fowler Hall. I want to serve you, the Twelfth Man, as Fighting Texas Aggie senior yell leader.

Aggies, it feels GREAT to go to Texas A&M ... when you hear the thunder of the Twelfth Man as the Fighting Texas Aggie Band marches onto Kyle Field ... when you feel the heat from the flames of Bonfire right before we beat t.u ... or when you're walking

to class and a cute guy or girls says, "Howdy!"

Sometimes it hurts too ... when you hear the bugles playing Silver Taps ... or you're sitting in G. Rollie White and watch a candle being lit for a fallen Ag ... or when you stare in disbelief at the scoreboard and quietly sing the "Twelfth Man."

A yell leader must be willing to lay it ALL on the line, in the good and bad times. He must give his heart, hope and life. He must be able to motivate the Twelfth Man in the thrill of a victory and in the pain of a loss.

When I'm leading yells next year, I want you to say, "Joe Forman is a GOOD yell leader." More importantly, I want you to say, "Joe Forman is a GREAT guy" ... because he pours his heart out every day for the glory of God and the Love of Aggieland and realizes: It's not about leading a yell, it's about leading another heart to the Aggie Spirit!

God bless and gig 'em.

► Richard Rolison

CANDIDATE FOR SENIOR YELL LEADER



Whoop! My name is Richard Rolison and I'm running for senior yell leader for the Fightin' Texas Aggie Twelfth Man. I feel that yell leaders have the opportunity to make a positive impact on the community as well as on our campus. Yell leaders represent the student body before the Big 12, the state, and the nation. That's the spirit, integrity, character, everything that makes you proud to be an Aggie. Yell leaders must

be willing to give the best of themselves to bring out the best in Texas A&M.

Before a yell leader can do that he has to have spirit, he must be willing to live his life the right way rather than the easy way, and be willing to lay it all on the line in order to make a positive impact on someone's life. Without spirit, there can be no 'fightin' in the Fightin' Texas Aggie Spirit.

Finally Ags, being a yell leader means unifying the campus by focusing on things that we all have in common, making former and current students proud, and passing the spirit on to future Aggies. When you and I look back on 1997, I hope that we can be as proud as when we look back on 1876. What are you doing to pass along the spirit? I am running for senior yell leader. Just get out and vote.

► Jeremy Nelson

CANDIDATE FOR SENIOR YELL LEADER



Gig 'em! Howdy! Whoop! My name is Jeremy Nelson. I'm a computer science major from the small, rural community of San Antonio. Some friends call me "Reverend." And I'm a Proud member of the Fightin' Texas Aggie RED ASS Class of 1998!

I believe that the Aggie Spirit is a living thing. And it's the Aggies' motivation that keeps it alive from year to year.

I believe that the duties of the yell leader are more than just leading the yells with ENERGY, telling a good story and looking sharp in a white uniform ... a yell leader is called to do more than that.

Yell leaders must, by the way they live out their Aggie Spirit, trust in God and follow their hearts BE a role model to other students! A yell leader has the opportunity and the duty to try to make each of the students here at Texas A&M proud to be Fightin' Texas Aggies. What are you doing to ensure the Spirit stays alive? I'm running for senior yell leader! Gig 'em!

► Joel Foshea

CANDIDATE FOR SENIOR YELL LEADER



Howdy Ags!

I'm Joel Foshea, a junior agricultural systems management major from the basic metropolitan of Cedar Hill, Texas. I'm a proud member of the Fightin' Texas Aggie Class of 1998.

What is a yell leader? Enthusiasm, passion, integrity and undying spirit.

• Enthusiasm - the driving force to motivate you, the Twelfth Man

• Passion - a passion for the traditions of Texas A&M

• Integrity - integrity and character to justly and fully represent A&M

• Undying Spirit - the ever burning love and pride in Aggieland

We must have all these traits during the triumph of victory in the agony of being outscored. Regardless if the Monthly praises or ridicules. We must stand before anyone and proudly boast that we are TEXAS AGGIES.

Ags, the two-and-a-half years that I have spent in Aggieland have been the best years of my life because of the opportunities that I have had. Like spending three months each year at the hell outta' Bonfire just because it builds Aggie Spirit that other school could do it. Like cultivating the Aggie Spirit at Fish Camp, just because we care.

I, Joel Foshea, have the ever-burning fire within me that goes back to the Twelfth Man what once was given to me. That's Aggie Spirit. On March 25 and 26, I would appreciate your vote for enthusiasm, passion, integrity and undying spirit. Vote for candidate #2 Joel Foshea for senior yell. And let's spread the love. Thanks and gig 'em.

► Barrett McDaniel

CANDIDATE FOR JUNIOR YELL LEADER



Howdy! I believe there are two aspects to being a yell leader: representation and motivation. Yell leaders obviously are the most visible element at Texas A&M. Their actions at varsity games represent us as the body of Aggieland looking out to the rest of the world. Motivation, on the other hand, seems to be the most overlooked aspect of this position. The duty of a yell leader for one is to do the best

but their duty is also to keep the crowd motivated at all times. When the varsity teams are triumphing over opponents, the crowd is motivated by itself. But when Aggies are running behind, the crowd needs to be kept so as to help the team grasp victory. I feel that with my experiences as a crew chief for Aggie Bonfire, I can serve the low Aggies by not only representing them but also keeping them motivated for upcoming '97-'98 season in the Big 12. So be sure to come out and vote Wednesday and Thursday for #3 on the ballot.

Bloop and gig 'em.

► Sam Blunsten

CANDIDATE FOR JUNIOR YELL LEADER



Howdy Ags. My name is Sam Blunsten. I'm a sophomore accounting major from New Braunfels, and a proud member of the Fightin' Texas Aggie Corps of Cadets, Company H-1. I want to be junior yell leader because I want to serve Texas A&M and represent its student body.

I love Texas A&M with all my heart and feel very privileged to be a student here. I want to do my everyday to give service to this school and represent it by being myself and to setting an example and being a representative of something that is so dear to me - Texas A&M and the Twelfth Man.

I want to represent all Aggies - Northside, Southside, campus, non-regs, Greeks, and Corps - because when we stand in Kyle Field on that those hot Saturday afternoons doesn't matter what organization we're in or where we live, we all share the same spirit.

Vote for somebody that you would be proud to have represent you. Sam Blunsten, junior yell leader, #5 on the ballot.