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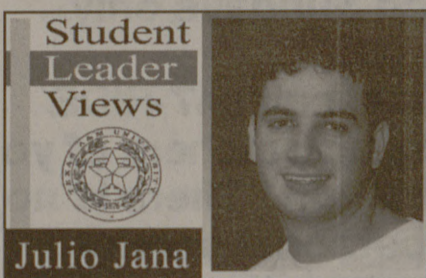
Expanding horizons

Students should consider study abroad programs or overseas internships

Since the advent of higher education, students have been encouraged to think outside their comfort zone, shaping their own ideas while still respecting diverse views.

Texas A&M prides itself on the development of well-rounded students through the enriched "other education" it offers. This other education refers to knowledge attained through activities outside the classroom.

Since my beginning days at A&M, professors and tutors have challenged me to strive for intellectual excellence outside the classroom. From student organizations to experiencing leadership roles as well as internships, I have found that A&M offers various avenues and opportunities to attain this sort of knowledge. When pursuing this other education, one of



Student Leader Views
Julio Jana

the most rewarding and beneficial experiences is to transcend national boundaries.

When interviewing for a job, the importance of having world knowledge is evident. We live in a globalized society, therefore both multi-national companies and small businesses alike are concerned with global issues and affected by international affairs.

As Aggies, we are fortunate not only because of our school traditions, but also because of the international environment

A&M provides. On this campus, every student has the opportunity to learn about the customs of numerous countries and cultures. This internationalization not only molds an individual's character but also provides him an advantage in the competitive job market.

Overseas internships and study abroad programs are just a few examples of the many ways the other education can be attained at this University. Following the philosophy that travel is not a tragedy to the narrow-minded, we should all at one point in our lives "go away," as the study abroad departmental advertising campaign states, and "become international" once and for all in this multi-cultural planet.

If finance becomes an issue in pursuing this international experience, there are 3,700 international students at A&M willing to share their experiences and world views with the rest of the student body free of charge.

International Student Association President
Julio Jana is an international student from agricultural economics major.

MAIL CALL

Twelfth Man is disappointing

I have been at Texas A&M for five years now and I have never been more disappointed with the Twelfth Man. It seems that the Twelfth man would rather sit back and be lazy than attempt to do their part at the football games. Many of you may have seen footage from the KU game that captured our students sitting down while our team is on the field; not only was this a disappointment but so was the fact that the third deck was about one-third empty.

I challenge the Twelfth man to yell louder than we ever have on Nov. 28. I want people to not have a voice when they are leaving the game. For one game, lets not bicker about if we should uncover during our yells or complain why the two-percenters left, let's dig deep into tradition and do our part to help our team b.t.h.o. University of Texas.

Clint Bandfield
Class of 2003

A&M a magical experience

I went to the Miami of Ohio v. Bowling Green football game in Oxford, Ohio. It was a Tuesday night game matchup of two top-20 ranked schools broadcast on ESPN. As the crowd approached the stadium I overheard students' comments. They were shocked at the amount of people attending the game, they were mesmerized by what it felt like to be in a sold-out stadium, they longingly wished out loud that "every game was like this," they were in awe of the crowd attendance of 28,000 fans. I was greatly saddened.

Since graduating from Texas A&M I haven't felt what I did every fall Saturday of my undergraduate career, and I didn't feel it last night. The crowd turned out because of ESPN's coverage of the game, not their love for their school. They left early, came late, and almost no one knew who the players on the field were. The band, well, was embarrassing and

the crowd didn't really know when to be loud and when to shut up. I came away unbelievably thankful for the experience of going to A&M. Not just for the Saturdays spent at football games, but for the people who I was attending with. I am thankful that we could all be part of something bigger than ourselves whether that be at a game, Silver Taps, Muster or Fish Camp — it is something that others would love to have. Enjoy your days at A&M, it's a magical place.

Rachel E. Peters
Class of 2003

More attention should be paid to soldiers dying in Iraq

In response to a Nov. 3 article:

I was a little disheartened when I saw the paper on Monday. I understand that Reveille is

our school mascot. I was just in shock that the burial of Reveille VI was the main headline instead of the chopper crashing in Iraq. I am from Killeen/Fort Hood and have friends who are in the military. My father is currently a government contract worker. I was lucky that the one I know was killed or injured this weekend. I also understand that the news of the crash was seen on TV this Sunday, but many people had no clue about what happened.

These soldiers have been fighting for our freedom and protecting our lives from possible terrorist attacks. They are risking their lives seeing their family again.

Plus there are also fellow Aggies who are in Iraq fighting for us. So shouldn't their lives be cherished as much as Reveille's? Shouldn't we be aware of what our fellow Aggies are going through?

Neoda McNamee
Class of 2005

Worship Directory

Adventist

Seventh Day Adventist
1218 Ertle St., Bryan (corner of Coulter)
775-4362
Pastor Bill Davis
English - 11:30 am
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www.bryansdachurch.com

Assembly of God

Bethel Temple Assembly of God
2608 Villa Maria, Bryan
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Sunday Worship 10:15
Sunday School 9:00
www.betheltemplebcs.com

Baptist

Parkway Baptist Church
1501 Southwest Pkwy
(979) 693-4701
Sunday Worship 8:15-10:45 & 6PM
Sunday School 9:30 AM
Wednesday: Meal 5:30PM
College Bible Study Wed. 6:30PM
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Wed. 8:30-9:30 p.m., Sat. 4:00-5:15 p.m.
or by appointment.

Christian

First Christian Church
900 South Ennis, Bryan
823-5451
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.
Robert D. Chandler, Minister

Church of Christ

A&M Church of Christ
1901 Harvey Mitchell Pkwy.
(979) 693-0400
Sunday Assemblies:
8 a.m., 10:30 a.m.,
College Bible Class 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Night: 5:45 p.m.
Mid-Week 6:45 p.m.

A&M Aggies for Christ
Call for on-campus pick-up info
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Episcopal

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906 George Bush Dr. • College Station, TX
696-1726
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7:30 p.m. Evensong
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Lutheran

Sunday
8:15 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.
Sunday School
9:30 a.m.
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2nd & 3rd Sunday
6:30 p.m.

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A&M United Methodist
417 University Dr. (in Northgate) • 846-8731
Sunday Worship: 8:30, 9:45, 10:50
College Sunday School: 9:30, 10:45
Thursday Nights: 5:30 - University Choir
6:30 - FREE Supper, 7:00 - College Bible Study
www.am-umc.org/college

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Worship Services:
8:40 am and 10:55 am
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Rev. Matt Idom, Pastor
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