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STUDENT AFFAIRS *MONTHLY NOTABLES*



Members of TAMUGs Student Affairs Hurricane Harvey Evacuation Team receiving TAMUs President's Meritorious Service Award.

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LIFE IN AGGIELAND

When Sea Aggies speak of "The Other Education," they are talking about leadership training, clubs, intramurals, traditions, student government and all the other aspects of the TAMUG experience. Many elements converge to create the campus atmosphere: the student newspaper (NAUTILUS), the drama club, and more than 60 student organizations, which include academic, professional, community and campus service, religious, and just-for-fun student groups.



Who said college was going to be easy?

Each year, the Office of Student Counseling provides services to undergraduate and graduate students at TAMUG. The Office is staffed by licensed counselors and the services rendered to students are free, voluntary, and confidential. The Office staff is dedicated to assisting students in their pursuit of personal and academic growth, to help students gain a better understanding and appreciation of themselves, and to supporting students as they make important decisions about their lives.





Division of Student Affairs

The Division of Student Affairs is responsible for the social, moral, and intellectual development of TAMUG students through their involvement in student organizations, leadership activities, recreational sports, and other co-curricular and extracurricular activities. Student Affairs also oversees housing, judicial services, multicultural services, counseling & career services, and residence life programs as well as advises student organizations about program planning, university rules, risk management and the function of organizations to students throughout their college career. Furthermore, they allocate funding for eligible student organizations and aid in campus wide events such as Aggie Muster, Maritime Ball, Family Weekend, and Spring Fest. In addition to providing students an avenue to participate in several club activities, Student Affairs is also responsible for dispersing football tickets and ordering the highly honored Aggie Ring!

The staff of the Division of Student Affairs encourage all students to take advantage of their many opportunities available through “the other education” activity programs.

Find out more by visiting our webpage:
www.tamug.edu/campuslife/

*“Wherever I am,
whatever I am doing,
as long as I live I will
bleed Maroon.”*

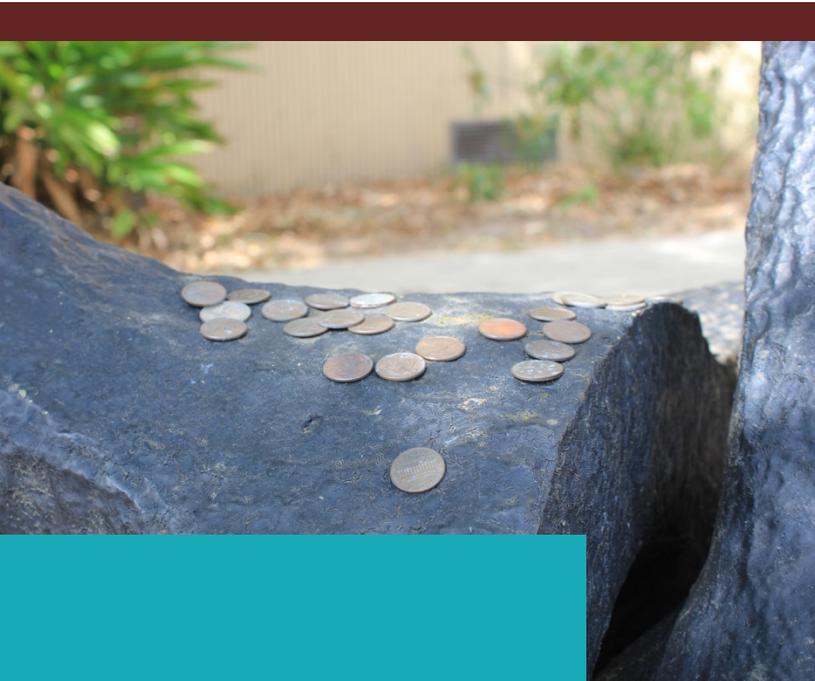
- Dr. Robert M. Gates,
US Secretary of Defense



Student Activities: Notables

www.tamug.edu/stuact/

- This year's Maritime Ball was held on the Colonel Paddlewheel Boat at Moody Gardens on April 6th. 179 students attended this year's event, an increase from last year.
- On April 13th, the campus celebrated Ring Day by distributing 159 Aggie Rings.
- The Student Government Association had a busy month to wrap up the year. First, they voted on a name for the new coffee shop that will be opening in phase 2 of the Academic Complex. The new coffee shop will be named Mugdown. They also have experienced an increased interest in participation in student governance and have voted to start class councils to give student more opportunities to participate. Finally, the new Student Body President and Vice President were sworn into office at the Leadership and Awards Banquet. Next year's Student Body President will be Brandon Rogers and the Vice President will be Cameron Kent.
- The Office of Student Activities, with sponsorship from The Association of Former Students, hosted nearly 250 student leaders from across campus for the annual Leadership and Awards Banquet. Scholarships were presented totaling \$118,900.
- Students celebrated Spring Fest on April 13th. Local businesses set up booths and tables while students enjoyed a free comedy show by Free Daps. The Student Government Association would like to thank all of the sponsors for helping making the event a success:
- Houston Astros, Houston Rockets, Schlitterbahn Galveston, Moody Gardens, University Apartments, Joy Nails, CC Creations, Pepsi/Mountain Dew, Rain Forest Café, and Sand and Sea Properties.
- The Sea Aggie Band and TAMUG Orca-stra held their first ever combined Spring Concert at the Waterfront Pavilion on Friday, April 6th.



TAMUG Student Activities

Student life at TAMUG is often centered around the ocean. Many clubs and sports often involve water, but we have numerous active student organizations including many professional organizations that cover a wide variety of interests.



Counseling & Career Services: Notables

www.tamug.edu/counsel/

www.tamug.edu/career/

- On May 1, the Counseling & Career Services staff added a new member, Byron Banks. Mr. Banks is a Licensed Chemical Dependency Counselor and working toward his licensure as an Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist. He is a graduate of Our Lady of the Lake University with an MS in counseling psychology and St. Mary's University with a BA in psychology.

Mr. Bank's previous experience in education include both teaching and staff roles at Northwestern State University, Remington College, Baton Rouge Community College and Southwest Arkansas. He has also has experience as a private practice counselor and consultant in mental health.

In his spare time Mr. Banks likes to travel, listen to live music and spend time with family. He is excited to experience all that Galveston has to offer in terms of music, food and culture.

- On April 24 as part of TAMUG's Board of Visitor speaker series, former student Andria Davis '02 spoke to students in the sciences and engineering about seeking employment at Federal agencies such as NOAA and the Army Corps of Engineers. Ms. Davis was a marine biology major with a license option and also served as Corps Commander during her time as astudent. After a career in the US Coast Guard and Military Sealift Command, Ms. Davis returned to Galveston to work for the Corps of Engineers. Her discussion was well received by students who attended. Captain Sam Stephenson '90 and Jason Tieman, '97 showed up to show support.

What is counseling?

Counseling, most simply stated, is an interaction between a person who is "stuck" in some way and in need of help, and another person who is trained in helping people get "unstuck".

If you feel uncertain about whether counseling is for you, we encourage you to make an initial appointment and discuss any reservations you might have with one of our counselors. There is no obligation to continue.

Student Diversity Initiatives: Notables

www.tamug.edu/diversity/students/

- In April, our Office concluded our 17-18 collaboration with the Office for Diversity showcasing presentations from NCORE through the Enhancing Diversity Seminar Series. This series featured Texas A&M faculty, staff, and students presenting their research to the community. All sessions were livestreamed to the TAMUG campus.
- The Gender and Sexuality Advocates (student organization) hosted TAMUGs first annual Gender & Sexuality Student Leadership Weekend on April 20-22, 2018!
- Our own Mr. Danny Roe was voted Chair of TAMUGs Staff Council for the 2018-2019 Academic Year! (Photo - 2018-2019 officers: Marjorie Salinas (Treasurer), Anna Budvitis (Vice Chair), Danny Roe (Chair), and Alex Mitchell (Secretary).)
- Mr. Danny Roe was also the recipient of TAMUGs Chief Operating Officer's Meritorious Service Awards for Outstanding Student Relations!



Our Mission

We provide programs and services that encourages members of our community to gain a deeper understanding, awareness, and appreciation for their own culture, as well as embracing the dignity of all cultures from our global society.

We are committed to creating an inclusive community of respect that positively encourages and attracts diverse populations to join and contribute to the university community as a student, faculty, and/or staff member.



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